Expensive synagogues, lavish programs must be ruled out in the future, warns rabbi

By TOBA KORENBLUM

TORONTO —
Strained by inflation and skyrocketing costs, synagogues in the future will no longer be able to afford lavish structures and "slick, high-priced programing," warns the chairman of the Toronto Board of Rabbis.

New congregations, says Temple Har Zion Rabbi Michael Stroh, may have to operate joint educational programs, amalgamate their schools, or even rent space to trim costs.

"While large synagogues don't seek to drive under the smaller ones, it's difficult for them to keep afloat," says the rabbi. "Congregations almost have to be too large in order to support themselves."

Only the few "established" synagogues with older buildings are able to indulge in expensive programing, hiring leading musicians, drawing big-name, big-budget speakers and planning high-powered weekends, he argues. "Smaller synagogues will just not be able to imitate."

Temple Har Zion, just six years old, is symbolic of many fledgling congregations setting foundations in the north and east of the city. It rents space in a local public high school for its classes and is considering joining forces with other Reform synagogues in forming a co-op to purchase supplies.

Rabbi Stroh says future congregations must consider more modest accommodations and scale down building size, because of financial straits and the increasing mobility of the Jewish population.

Land prices have forced synagogues to purchase smaller plots. And the population shift has resulted in the closure of weakened congregations and their amalgamation with larger, more stable synagogues.

"In the present financial situation," he adds, "the community must recognize some responsibility for synagogues as well as other institutions. I don't think the community can afford to consider the synagogue a luxury."

It is difficult to assess the financial status of synagogues here; most congregational spokesmen are reluctant to give specifics about mortgages, loans and deficits. All admit that difficulties are there and that membership costs are increasing.

Some administrators and rabbis note that synagogue catering, once a lucrative source of revenue, is facing stiff competition from private sources and hotels, while educational costs are spiralling.

Regarding the future of synagogue structures and congregational life, two predictions were offered: super-synagogues with large memberships will continue to absorb dwindling congregations, and small congregations with modest structures and trimmed-down programs will sprout in areas of population growth, such as the north-east sector.

A partial parallel may be drawn from surveys done in the U.S. One such look into synagogue finances conducted by the Seaboard Region of the United Synagogue of America (Conservative) found membership costs have risen sharply; congregations are forced to borrow short-term funds to keep operating; school and synagogue salaries are absorbing 60% of expenditures, and administrative costs have increased by 20% since 1974.)

The bulk of expenditures are directed toward congregational schools and adult education. Some spokesmen, in addition to Rabbi Stroh, are calling on the community to direct a portion of its revenue toward ailing synagogues.

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Cotler addresses Senate committee

WASHINGTON [Staff] —
In a statement to a Senate committee here Monday, the chairman of the Canadian Commission on Economic Coercion and Discrimination called on the nations of the world to set up a common front against the Arab boycott.

Addressing members of the subcommittee on International Finance of the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, Irwin Cotler said such a front would put all countries — and firms within them — on the same competitive basis and thus protect them from the adverse effects of the boycott. He appeared at the invitation of the committee.

He said foreign governments which comply with the boycott "are being contemptuous of us if they require that we abandon our principles and policies in order to do business with them."

Cotler — whose report on the boycott in Canada was issued last month — said it was "wholly speculative and at variance with the facts" that non-compliance would result in loss of trade.

"No one disputes the desirability of petrodollar trade, but if the price of that trade is violation of principle and policy that price is one that no nation should pay."

The McGill University law professor explained the Canadian experience has shown that the boycott is not merely an issue of the Arab-Israeli dispute.

"It is, in its essence, an attempt to compel innocent third parties — in Canada, the United States or elsewhere — to become a party to a foreign imposed boycott against a friendly country, and to become a party to a foreign-imposed boycott against their own fellow citizens, while creating an invidious distinction between citizens of different religious origin or political conviction."

Cotler delivered his statement at a time when the Senate is considering the type of anti-boycott legislation which his commission has urged Canada to adopt.

Artist Saul Raskin put together this Purim drawing of masks of the main characters recalled during the Festival — Haman (left), Mordechai, Esther and King Ahasuerus. Drawing comes from book, Aron Hakodesh, courtesy of Toronto Jewish Public Library. Numerous activities in synagogue and centres will mark the March 4 holiday.

MP urges boycott action

OTTAWA [Staff] —
MP Herb Gray (L, Windsor West) has called upon the federal government to act on the findings of the Commission on Economic Coercion and Discrimination, which released its report last month.

Accusing Ottawa of failing to respond, the former Trudeau cabinet member said in the House of Commons last week that the government should adopt legislation which would have the effect of outlawing the Arab boycott, which reportedly affects more than 100 Canadian companies.

"If it does not do so, as the report points out, it is undermining its own policy on international boycotts. It is allowing foreign governments to extend their discriminatory law into Canada."

Gray also scored the government for not living up to the promise it made last Oct. 21 after External Affairs Minister Don Jamieson announced anti-boycott guidelines.

"...on Jan. 21 of this year, the deputy minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce finally issued guidelines to his departmental officials for their implementation. From a reading of these guidelines, however, it would not appear that the government has done what it promised to do (on) Oct. 21," Gray told the Commons.

"That statement clearly says that all Canadian firms will be required to report all instances of their compliance with boycott provisions. But the guidelines say that only those firms that 'request' departmental support for transactions where boycott requests have been agreed to will be reported.

"Firms will surely know... that they will not get support for such transactions, and they will not request such assistance in the first place. So, as a practical matter, the reporting system set out in the guidelines has no real meaning or substance. What is disturbing is that it would appear that through these guidelines the government has modified, has backed away from, the commitment that it made on Oct. 21."

NEVER TOO YOUNG TO LEARN YIDDISH, MONTREAL DECIDES

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —
A co-op nursery with a curriculum stressing Yiddish instruction — the only one of its kind in Montreal — will begin classes next September.

To be known as the Children's Circle, the unique nursery will be associated with the A. Reisen Sunday school, which at the present time only serves children six years and older. Classes will be held in the Workmen's Circle office on Isabella.

A six-member committee, dissatisfied with the level of Yiddish teaching in the Jewish day schools, began to carry out plans for the Children's Circle last year.

"It's part of the trend to keep alive an important part of our heritage. With the increased emphasis on Hebrew and French, Yiddish has fallen by the wayside," said Mrs. A. Gonshor, a committee member.

Jewish People's & Peretz Schools offer courses in Yiddish, but these are only "minimal," Mrs. Gonshor feels.

About 50% of class time will be spent on learning Yiddish through songs, stories and the teaching of Yiddish culture. Children who enter the nursery program with little or no knowledge of Yiddish are expected to leave with a solid basis in the language. There will be no Hebrew instruction and, unless the Quebec government dictates otherwise, no French classes. The nursery will follow a regular program with music, art, sports and outings.

Teaching four-year-olds Yiddish will create a bridge between grandparents and grandchildren that will draw in their parents who for the most part were not interested in Yiddish before, said Mrs. Gonshor.

Completely secular and operating five days a week from 9 to 11:30 a.m., the nursery will have one full-time teacher for the 20 children expected to enrol. Mrs. A. Berman taught at the nursery and kindergarten of JPPS for several years.

As a co-op, fees will be low compared to those of the private nurseries. Parents will help out on a rotating basis, and if enrolment is larger than anticipated, a full-time assistant will be hired.

If the Yiddish nursery proves to be as popular as hoped, the committee will look into the possibility of establishing a Yiddish kindergarten.

Talks 'very useful'

Jamieson impresses Congress delegation

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —
External Affairs Minister Don Jamieson described his 1½-hour meeting with Jewish leaders at the Royal York Hotel last week as "very successful and very useful."

Referring to the topics under discussion — Syrian and Soviet Jewry and the question of East German reparations — Jamieson said that the exchange would be of "considerable benefit" in terms of formulating Canadian policy.

Members of the Jewish delegation were in unanimous agreement that the minister — who had earlier met with East European delegations — had listened sympathetically to their briefs.

Alan Rose, national executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress, said he felt his presentation on Soviet violations of the Helsinki accord's human rights provisions was "very well received" by Jamieson. He said the minister was visibly moved by a film on Soviet Jews, **This Year In Russia.**

David Satok, chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, said Jamieson was "quite sympathetic to our approaches on Helsinki and Soviet Jewry and promised to take our arguments in consideration" at the forthcoming Belgrade conference to assess the results of the 1975 Helsinki agreement.

Satok, in his brief, urged Jamieson to persuade Moscow to implement the "basket three" clause on the free flow of people and ideas. The minister asked for details, and expressed the willingness to meet with a Jewish delegation on another occasion later this year.

Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, chairman of Congress' National Foreign Affairs Committee, said Ottawa should not recognize East Germany until the problem of reparations was resolved.

In reply, Jamieson said he was not too optimistic that the East Germans would emulate the West Germans in compensating victims of Nazi oppression on a global basis, but he pledged to bring some pressure to bear on them over the issue. Jamieson sounded a brighter note when he said the East Germans might not be adverse to settling property claims.

Judy Feld Carr, chairman of the CJC National Committee for Jews in Arab Lands, broached the subject of Syrian Jews. She called for unfettered Jewish emigration to lands other than Israel, and brought up the case of two families with relatives in Montreal and Toronto.

Jamieson said Canada would take up the issue. In an interview later, he said the government could do very little to facilitate Syrian Jewish emigration to Israel.

At a press conference following the meeting, Jamieson was asked by a reporter from a Canadian Polish newspaper whether Canada would regularly denounce infringements of civil rights in the Soviet Union.

"I have no hesitation on my part to speak out in specific cases," he said, adding that a constant verbal barrage against Russia would be counter-productive.

Phil Givens, national president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, called the meeting "another step in the evolving relationship between the Jewish community and the federal government."

He said Jamieson was cordial, affable and pleasant. "We felt we reached him and thought he was sincere in saying he would make an honest attempt to be helpful."

Givens speculated that a combined Jewish-East European ethnic delegation might have had a greater impact on the government. "Politically, it would have been to our advantage to have a united front. Then it wouldn't just be seen as a Jewish problem." Givens, however, admitted there was no possibility of such a union. "It's fraught with emotional perils."

Sam Filer, chairman of the Central Region's Committee for Soviet Jewry, said Jamieson was "understanding and sympathetic. He's a real mensch, a fine person. He was obviously aware of what's going on. He has a sensitivity for the problem. I think he's prepared to speak out."

J.B. Salsberg, vice-chairman, Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, said Jamieson "showed an awareness of the situation and a great deal of sympathy....This guy surprised a lot of people with his overall understanding and agility of mind. He's very articulate and the possessor of a degree of dynamism that, I think, augurs well."

Plaut will seek the CJC presidency at its national gathering in May

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

TORONTO —
Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, long in the forefront as a national Jewish leader, is a candidate for the presidency of the Canadian Jewish Congress. The election will take place at the CJC Triennial Plenary in Montreal, May 12-15.

With the announcement this weekend by Rabbi Plaut, attention now turns to Prof. Irwin Cotler, who is reported to be considering entry into the race. When contacted last week by the Canadian Jewish News (prior to the Plaut announcement), the McGill professor refused comment except to say he has been approached by a number of people about the presidency. He was unavailable for comment following the Plaut announcement.

Some observers feel Cotler would not run against his friend, Rabbi Plaut, but another Quebecker might seek the presidency.

The Holy Blossom rabbi, who'll be retiring from his post in 1978, told The CJN he had been approached by a number of people across the country urging him to seek the position. Current co-chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, he gave some thought to entering the race in 1974, according to reports, but decided otherwise following some pressure from his congregation.

Haifa University recently announced the establishment of a chair of Jewish philosophy honoring Rabbi Plaut, who will be lecturing at the Israeli institution in 1978-79. What effect the presidency of the CJC might have on his lecture schedule is unclear at this time.

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Yadlin sentenced to five-year term

TEL AVIV —
Asher Yadlin, the former chairman of the National Health Fund, was sentenced to five years in prison Monday after being convicted on bribery and tax evasion charges.

The 53-year-old Labor Party leader told a court last week that the real estate kickbacks he had received over a period of several years had gone to his party's 1973 election fund.

Yadlin, whose nomination as head of the Bank of Israel was withdrawn by Premier Rabin after he was arrested, claimed he had been pressured into the illegal money-raising scheme by party leaders.

One and a half years ago, another important Labor figure, Michael Tsur, was sentenced to 15 years in jail for improper financial activity. Tsur headed the Israel Corporation at the time of his arrest.

Merger evaluation

TORONTO —
A panel discussion evaluating the merger of the United Jewish Welfare Fund and the Toronto division of the Canadian Jewish Congress will be a highlight of the annual meeting of Toronto Jewish Congress Sunday afternoon, March 6, at Holy Blossom Temple. The merger, which resulted in the formation of Toronto Jewish Congress, is now a year old.

Participating in the discussion will be Milton E. Harris, TJC president; Irwin H. Gold, executive director; Harry Steiner, assistant secretary, and David Satok, national vice-president of the CJC. Jack M. Rose, TJC vice-president, will be the moderator.

Elections will be held for 60 representatives to the TJC Council and the Council will, in turn, elect the executive committee and the officers.

Nominations for the Council, executive and officers were announced in The Canadian Jewish News Feb. 4 and nominating committee chairman Satok reminds the community that additional nominations must be submitted in writing to the TJC office, 150 Beverley St., within the next few days.

(Bar-Ilan University photo)

The tzises worn under shirts by religious Jews have received a face-lifting as seen in new-style shirts worn by students of Bar-Ilan University. New style has fringes combined with shirt itself which is worn loose over the trousers. Style complies with Halacha.

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NEWS
by Ben Solomon

Vance is cautious

Mission inconclusive

WASHINGTON [Staff] — When U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance embarked on his week-long, six nation tour of the Middle East last week, he offered no quick solutions or dramatic diplomatic breakthroughs. Vance had good reason to be cautious. The Arab-Israeli conflict has eluded resolution for almost 30 years.

By week's end, the American diplomat reported that the road toward peace was still long and arduous, and that no progress had been made on the key procedural issue holding up a reconvening of the Geneva Peace Conference. Said Vance here: "We are no closer to solving the Palestinian question than we were."

After visiting Israel, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Egypt, Vance disclosed that the Arabs and Israelis are still deeply divided over the key issues. These were establishing an overall peace, securing an Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories and solving the vexing Palestinian problem.

On a country-by-country basis, Vance did the following:

— **Israel.** He reaffirmed Washington's total commitment to the security and well-being of the state. He promised to consider Israeli requests for more economic and military assistance. He probably conveyed American doubts about Israel's oil exploration efforts in Sinai, and may have rebuked them for selling Israeli-made planes bearing U.S. parts. Vance may have disagreed with Israel's argument that step-by-step diplomacy should be pursued. The new administration is on record as saying that a search for a comprehensive settlement might prove more fruitful.

— **Syria.** Vance sounded out President Assad on his views of an overall settlement. The Syrian head of state indicated that procedural difficulties on the seating of a Palestinian delegation might be resolved, raising speculation that the PLO may be on for a political battering from their fellow Arabs.

— **Egypt.** On the eve of Vance's departure, Congress agreed to give Egypt an extra $190 million in economic assistance. The U.S. is concerned that Egypt's stability may have suffered as a result of last month's food riots. Vance probably reassured Cairo that Egyptian territorial claims on Sinai will not be ignored if Arab-Israeli talks get underway.

— **Jordan.** Vance and King Hussein discussed the Palestinian question and whether Amman still defers to the PLO on the future of the West Bank.

— **Saudi Arabia.** Vance asked King Khaled whether his country was still committed to moderating Arab opinion on an Arab-Israeli peace agreement. Oil supplies were also discussed.

— **Lebanon.** The secretary of state pledged $50 million in aid when he met President Sarkis, and reiterated that Washington's policy in Lebanon was to prevent a recurrence of violence.

Eva Natch (centre), president of Pioneer Women of Canada, meets Israeli officer at the Good Fence at the northern Israel-Lebanese border. While in Israel, Mrs. Natch of Winnipeg helped lay cornerstone of Canadian-sponsored community centre in the needy Katamon quarter of Jerusalem.

El Al to Hong Kong?

JERUSALEM [JCNS] — Israel wants to open discussions with the British government for a new agreement to cover the development of their respective air services to their "mutual benefit."

This was proposed by Israel's Transport Minister Gad Yaacobi when he met John Mason, Britain's new ambassador, here.

Yaacobi told Mason that Israel wanted permission to open a service to Hong Kong by El Al, the national airline. In return, Israel was ready to consider extending charter rights for British airlines operating services to the country.

Mason agreed to discuss the proposals with the London air authorities as a first step towards obtaining a "package" to cover the grant of additional landing rights, the extension of charter flights and measures to increase air passenger and cargo traffic.

Mason also raised the question of British participation in the long-term plans, which are supported by Yaacobi, to build a rail link between Ashdod and Eilat.

Yaacobi told the JCNS that the introduction of a Hong Kong service was vital for expanding Israel's air links with Asia. These were limited at present to the Iranian capital of Tehran.

Hong Kong, he said, would open a "gate" to Australia and New Zealand and develop an important air route.

Russians release Jewish prisoner

NEW YORK — For the last two and a half years, Soviet Jewish prisoner of conscience Yakov Suslensky served his remaining portion of a seven year term at the notorious Vladimir prison, where he was in constant conflict with camp authorities over prison conditions.

Having completed his sentence, Suslensky has been released and is presently in his hometown of Bendery, according to reports reaching the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ).

Histadrut, government sign economic package

By GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM [JTA] — The government and Histadrut have signed a three-month package deal freezing wages, prices, taxes and dividend payments for a three-month period, ending June 30, well after Israel's general elections.

The measure was promptly denounced by the Israel Manufacturers Association, which refused to go along with the freeze, and by various labor groups engaged in negotiations for higher wages.

The economic package must be approved by the Knesset where the government no longer commands a majority. Should the Knesset balk, however, the government said it would promulgate emergency regulations with the force of law.

The package deal was worked out during a night of intense negotiations between Histadrut and government representatives. It is intended to forestall a new wave of strikes by public employees which could paralyze the nation and throw the economy into chaos. It is also aimed at stabilizing prices before the elections.

The price freeze would be general, excluding fruits and vegetables. The government agreed not to raise taxes or tariffs during the freeze period and to limit the use of creeping devaluation of the pound. Histadrut agreed to postpone wage demands and refer uncompleted negotiations to arbitration.

There are a number of weaknesses in the agreement. For one thing, it does not prevent workers from staging crippling slowdowns. If Histadrut is unable to control the various unions, the package may be worthless. Several local unions have threatened to strike if their wage demands are not met promptly.

It was also pointed out that the price freeze cannot be implemented unless the public makes sure that vendors are observing it. Except for a limited number of basic commodities, price controls have failed since the austerity days of the early 1950s.

In fact, only hours before the agreement was signed, cigarette prices were raised 20%. And the government hastily approved a decision to raise the wages of career soldiers.

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These are some of the people who attended the Canadian-inspired medical conference at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev recently. From left are Dr. Shimon Glick and Dr. Moshe Prywess of BGU; Dr. Gerald Burrow, Mrs. and Dr. I.M. Eisen and Carol Epstein, all of Toronto. In back row are Nora Porter of BGU and Dr. Norman Epstein. Eisen heads medical association.

A very busy lady

TORONTO —

A half-century of continuous service to the community is a long time to look back on. Ethyle Levine, a pert and vivacious lady who could easily pass for a woman 20 years her junior, does very little looking back. There's too much to do now and much to look forward to in the future.

Mrs. Levine has been named the 1976 recipient of the Ben Sadowski Award of Merit by the Toronto Jewish Congress. The official presentation will be made at the annual TJC meeting on Sunday, March 6 at Holy Blossom Temple, along with Leadership Development Awards to Barbara Koblinsky and Ronald Manes. Mrs. Levine is the second woman to join the distinguished list of Toronto's top Jewish community leaders to receive the Sadowski award since it was established in 1960. Dora Till was the recipient in 1969.

The theatre's loss turned out to be the community's gain when a young Ethyle Rosenthal gave up her intention of becoming a professional actress. She lost sight of her goal when she met and fell in love with her leading man in a production of **Scandal vs. Humor** at the old Talmud Torah, and shortly after became Mrs. Abe Levine.

"I had visions of becoming another Helen Hayes," Mrs. Levine confided in an interview, "but not for one moment have I regretted my decision to give up that remote possibility for marriage. It was the best decision I could have made."

Ethyle Levine

Fifty years ago, Rose Dunkelman asked Ethyle Levine to form a junior Hadassah chapter and so began a long and productive life as a volunteer community worker, beginning with the old Jewish orphanage. She fondly recalls the time when she and several other members of the National Council of Jewish Women took a group of crippled children from the Wellesley School out to a movie and ice cream treat every Tuesday afternoon.

"We had no training and probably made a million mistakes," she said of those early days, "but what mattered most is that we cared and enjoyed that person-to-person involvement."

It was caring that got her actively involved in just about every Jewish agency in the city and some non-Jewish as well. She has been president of the National Council of Jewish Women, Mount Sinai Hospital Women's Auxiliary, Baycrest, United Jewish Appeal Women's Division, to name just a few. She has been involved with Boy's Village (now Dellcrest Village), Visiting Homemakers, the Thistletown School and is a former vice-president of the Traveller's Aid Society.

Mrs. Levine and her late husband shared many community interests. He was president of Baycrest for five years, during which time she headed the Women's Auxiliary. The Levines adopted two children, Sue and Andy, who now have families of their own.

When asked about what changes have taken place since she began volunteer work, Mrs. Levine quickly replied that there is far better training today, with professional guidance, and best of all, professional acceptance and respect for the volunteer.

"No matter what anyone says, volunteerism is growing by leaps and bounds," said Mrs. Levine, "and we're seeing more men offering their services than ever before."

Mrs. Levine singled out the fund-raisers and canvassers as the volunteers with the most difficult role of all and who she feels do not get the recognition they deserve. "I really think the UJA canvassers do a terrific job."

If she had her life to live over again, Ethyle Levine wouldn't change a thing.

"Working in the community has opened many doors to me. I served the community and now it serves me."

Celia Franca – she'll take part in Conference of Women at Beth Tzedec, March 1.

Women's conference stars Celia Franca

TORONTO —

Celia Franca, founder of the National Ballet of Canada, will make a rare public appearance as keynote speaker at the Conference of Women, to be held at Beth Tzedec Synagogue on Tuesday, March 1st. The annual conference is planned and conceived by the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations, which operates under the auspices of Toronto Jewish Congress.

Lucille Bensky, 1977 Conference chairman, has announced that the theme for this year's all-day session is: "Jewish women making it — alone, with a family, in the arts, in a career or as a volunteer."

Featured on the morning panel are Edie Frankel, freelance writer and television personality; Ethyle Levine, volunteer community worker; and Rosalie Abella, family court judge.

"Each of our panel participants and the keynote speaker are successful women in their chosen fields of endeavor," Mrs. Bensky commented. "They will discuss their careers and lifestyles and how they have dealt with conflicts involved in combining outside interests and family life. It promises to be a most interesting day."

Registration is at 9:30 a.m. The program begins at 10 a.m. There will be a $6 fee for the whole day, including lunch. For reservations, the number to call is 869-3811, local 277.

Negotiations for 2¼ acre site approved by Hamilton voters

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

The board of directors of the Hamilton Jewish Home for the Aged has been authorized to enter into negotiations with the city of Hamilton for the purchase of a 2¼ acre property on Macklin Street for the purpose of erecting a home.

In an open vote, a ⅔ majority approved the adoption of the motion at the close of a special meeting called by the Hamilton Jewish Federation to consider the suitability of the site and possible alternatives such as a larger site capable of accommodating other Jewish communal facilities in the future. Approximately half of those present abstained from voting.

A 4½ acre property available until recently has since been sold and the meeting was told that at present no other site of similar size is available.

The question of whether to have a combined location for a home and community centre or a separate home has provoked considerable controversy and the unusually large turnout was evidence of the intense interest in the project.

In addition to the charge that it would be shortsighted to locate the home on a separate site because it would preclude the sharing of services and costs as well as having the elderly close within the community, objections to the Macklin Street site ranged from general unsuitability — proximity to a skating rink and swimming pool, vocational school, highway and a recently closed city dump — to residents being condemned to a life of boredom in an area where "there is nothing going on."

Dr. Jack J. Shekter, a past president of HJF, who said that he has long felt that a home and centre should be combined in one location, charged the community with "having the chutzpah to come here and say we want both the centre and a home for the aged," when every service in the community had to be cut by 15% because it had not raised sufficient money last year.

"I think it is a terrible thing for us to sit here and engage in dreams and hope...that one day there will be a Jewish community centre in a better location," he went on, but because to sit back and wait for a better location would jeopardize the health and well-being of very many elderly people, he urged members "not to lose this opportunity to take the only available site which is halfway decent (because) it's the best we can do."

Both Lewis Ross, who chaired the meeting in place of absent president of the home, Frances Soble, and HJF president Samuel Taylor assured the meeting that if a more suitable site is found later, the property can be returned to the city.

The area has been designated as parkland and "the city will be delighted to have it back," said Ross, "but if it were already parkland, I wouldn't like to have on my conscience the responsibility for losing the Macklin Street site."

Yale Greenberg, executive director of Hillel Lodge, Ottawa, who has been acting as consultant to Hamilton, said that 10 or 11 years ago the Ottawa community was faced with a similar decision and after purchasing one site, changed its mind and bought another. He also pointed out that although the home is connected to a community centre and synagogue-shared facilities are not too successful.

Campaign for Syrian Jewry to be intensified

TORONTO —

As Shabbat Zachor (Feb. 26) approaches, the National Committee for Jews in Arab Lands will intensify its campaign to assist the beleaguered Jews of Syria.

Judy Feld Carr, the chairman of this committee, has announced a cross-Canada campaign to persuade the president of Syria to release the 400 young Jewish women who have no men to marry in their country. These women will only find Jewish husbands in a land other than Syria.

Thousands of postcards addressed to the president of Syria, as well as to the Canadian External Affairs Minister Donald Jamieson, asking him to intercede on humanitarian grounds, will be distributed. It is hoped that, in this way, the forthcoming Shabbat Zachor will be a memorial to no more Jews than the four young women who were murdered in Syria four years ago.

Mrs. Feld Carr has also prepared a prayer on behalf of the Jews in Arab lands. This will be distributed to synagogues, schools and other institutions to be used at Passover. Both the prayer and postcards are also available at Canadian Jewish Congress, 150 Beverley St., Toronto, Ontario M5T 1Y6 (telephone 869-3811).

Alive, well

KINGSTON —

Orthodox Judaism is alive and well, according to Rabbi Shlomo Horowitz of Beth Israel in Kingston, in an article in the Whig-Standard.

Over a recent weekend, about 150 teen-agers from 13 to 18 years of age, their 18-25 year old advisers, and several rabbinical leaders were in Kingston for a Shabbaton. The weekend program was sponsored by the National Conference of Synagogue Youth, the youth movement of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations.

"The purpose of the Shabbaton was primarily religious, educational and social," Rabbi Horowitz said. "It afforded an opportunity for Kingston youth to meet and in some cases reacquaint themselves with friends and make new friends who have common backgrounds in the traditional observances of Judaism." Delegates came from Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto.

"The spirit of the weekend was expressed by the love of the practice and learning of Judaism and love for their fellow man," he said.

The teenagers arrived Friday afternoon and the program started with Sabbath services at sundown. Following the traditional first meal of the Sabbath, the delegates attended sessions on specific aspects of Judaism.

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There is no greater pleasure than the pleasure derived from giving. Purim, the festival of joy and happiness, is therefore highlighted by the custom of sending Mishloach Monos to each other and by giving special gifts to the poor.

The Mishloah Monos must be food items ready to be eaten. The idea is that if, for some reason, a Jew has not prepared a Purim feast he will be able to feast on the food items of the Mishloach Monos sent him by his friends.

There is another reason why Mishloah Monos consists of food items. Our Sages tell us that the trouble with Haman started when many Jews in Shushan participated in the feast arranged by King Ahasuerus to celebrate the third anniversary of his reign. So impressed were the Jews by the "honor" granted them by the mighty Persian ruler, that they did not shrink from eating *Trefa* food on that occasion, which, of course, aroused G-d's anger.

After due repentance, however, the Jews were saved, but the lesson was not to be forgotten. Therefore, it is a law that on Purim the Jews should send each other Mishloach Monos in food items – kosher food of course, which would serve the Jews as a reminder of the sin of eating Trefa that brought about the cruel Haman, so that they never repeat this sin again.

As for the poor, of course they must never be forgotten, and certainly not on Purim. When Haman planned to destroy all the Jews and to plunder their wealth, the Jews realized that their wealth could not save them. Rich and poor felt quite alike. They all felt like paupers and knew what it meant to be poor, down-trodden and humiliated. And so, after the victory, the feeling of brotherhood and equality which attained such a high degree on that occasion should never be forgotten by the Jews; all Jews, rich and poor alike, should celebrate the festival of Purim with equal joy and happiness. And in order that the poor also share fully in the happiness and merriment of the festival, we must see to it that they get more than the usual charity, and that we show them more than the usual kindness and attention.

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Vested interest

It is of the utmost significance that, amid all the problems with which Israel is presently beset, the Knesset has begun a debate on Israel's policy and responsibilities towards Jewish communities abroad. The debate reflects a concern in some sectors of the Israeli leadership that the special relationship between the Jewish state and the Jewish people is under threat, that the centrality of Israel in Jewish life is being diminished, and that Israel herself might be put in danger by the political initiatives of Jewish leaders in the Diaspora.

Israeli leaders have already made known their concern about the assistance provided by some Jewish organizations to Soviet Jews who choose to settle anywhere but in the Jewish state itself. Itzhak Navon, chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, has attacked Diaspora Jewish leaders who take public issue with Israel's foreign policy and whose suggestions, he says, could even lead to war.

First and foremost, the Jewish world outside Israel must recognize and testify to the fact that there can be no equality of partnership between a sovereign state whose citizens elect its governments, fight its wars and pay its taxes, and an agglomeration of Jewish communities of varying degrees of Zionist commitment and Jewish identification. For a majority of Jews, Israel is the embodiment of their hopes for Jewish achievement, example and continuity. Indeed, for some, with all its negative connotations, Israel has become their religion. But they are merely volunteers when they assume any part of the tremendous burden which is the inescapable daily responsibility of the Israeli citizen.

On their side, Israel's leaders have to accept that Jewish communities abroad are not subject peoples, led wholly by political amateurs and incapable of grasping the complexities of international geopolitics. They are, and have proved themselves, competent and willing ambassadors for Israel in the lands in which they live. But there must be a diminishing return for both parties if Jewish leaders of stature in their own countries are pressed into defending Israeli positions with which they either do not sympathize or whose underlying reasoning has not been explained to them. It is at this level that partnership, with its implication of consultation, has failed.

Regretfully, the existing organs of communication between Diaspora Jewry and Israel have failed at the political level. The World Zionist Organization inevitably operates from the base line of Zionist party politics. The Jewish Agency, even though it has been re-organized to widen its membership, is still an arm of government involved in practical everyday matters.

Clearly, there is need for some other forum in which the leaders of Diaspora opinion and Israel can take counsel together, recognizing, as they must, that Israel alone will take policy decisions which she considers in her own best interests. Ideas for such a forum have been mooted on several occasions, but have foundered on the rocks of the vested interests of the Diaspora or Israeli resistance and resentment. However, if a damaging collision is to be avoided in the sensitive political period ahead, it is essential that such a line of communication be created between the Diaspora and Israel. The danger is not dictation by one side or the other, but a breakdown in understanding with deep and harmful consequences.

[Jewish Chronicle]

Reign in Spain

We note with considerable pleasure the liberalization of the current Spanish government. A slow process of democratization is occurring in the land where Franco's dictatorial powers once held sway. The caudillo would hardly feel comfortable in a Spanish society which has just voted for parliamentary elections and other freedoms.

It is a truism that Jews fare best in democratic societies. It is, therefore, not surprising that Jews in Spain are enjoying the benefits of the democratization of that land. In 15 years, Jews will mark the 500th anniversary of the expulsion of Spanish Jewry by Queen Isabella. As this anniversary approaches, it is instructive to record the new presence of Jews in the land that carries so many bittersweet memories of a golden age.

The record suggests that even under Franco, Jews began a small but unhindered return to Spain. There is some documented evidence that Franco personally permitted thousands of Jews to enter Spain during the Nazi persecutions. Before Juan Carlos's accession to power, Sephardic Jews found it relatively easy to receive Spanish entry permits. Two years of domicile in Spain were enough to obtain Spanish citizenship. Moreover, these Sephardic Jews were permitted to engage in commerce and open stores without any problems.

Synagogue life, especially since 1968, is also being resuscitated. In Madrid, the new Jewish centre building has three floors of meeting rooms, kosher cafeterias and school facilities. A Jewish high school named Ibn Gabirol will shortly be opened on the premises for over 400 prospective students. This is a far cry from the days, less than 20 years ago, when Spanish Jews made their way to synagogue in groups of two and three so as not to bring attention to themselves. The more than 700 Jewish families that make up the Madrid Jewish community are engaged primarily in commerce although there is a sprinkling of professional men among them as well.

While this new Spanish Jewish community flourishes, two clouds on the horizon indicate that its integration will be neither smooth nor unopposed. Already Spanish middle class circles along with Falangist elements are decrying the arrival within their midst "of thousands of Israelites who speak a little like us but who have nothing in common with Spain or Spaniards." The Spanish clergy is also unenthusiastic about the new Jewish presence in Spain.

More serious, however, has been Spain's ambivalent stand on Israel. With interests in North Africa and a heavy dependence on Arab oil, Spain has traditionally been anxious to steer clear of Middle East commitments insofar as Israel is concerned. No consular representations exist between Spain and Israel, although there has been some talk of late about the desirability of opening such links. As Spain grows more democratic, pressures will mount on her to establish some kind of diplomatic ties with Israel. The Arabs will undoubtedly mount pressures in the other direction.

Inevitably, what Spain decides vis a vis Israel will be the litmus paper test of its commitment to democratic ideals.

Lebanese flashpoint

The Lebanese civil war ground to a halt last November, 19 months after it erupted. Syrian military might and Saudi Arabian political clout were instrumental in ending the bloodshed. Yet neither country has been able to stamp out the violence which rocks southern Lebanon to this day.

Partly as a result of the fighting in that isolated part of Lebanon, the Syrian regime has moved elements of its expeditionary army relatively near to the Israeli frontier. Though the Syrians have not advanced past the Litani River — or the so-called Red Line — Israel has repeatedly warned Damascus, through Washington, that it will not tolerate a large and permanent Syrian presence there.

Spokesmen in Damascus contend that the Syrian army has pushed into this rugged region to disarm Palestinian militants battling Christian Phalangists. The Americans support this position. They note that there are only 600 or so Syrian soldiers in the south, and that they were dispatched to protect Lebanese Christians threatened by Palestinian guerrillas. Like the Israelis, the Christians argue that the Syrians are using their role as peace-keepers as a cover for infiltration and entrenchment.

Whatever interpretation one accepts, the fact of the matter is that the Syrians are in southern Lebanon and there to stay for as long as they are in firm control of the rest of the country. A year ago, no one could have envisaged that. The conventional wisdom was that Jerusalem would never permit the Syrians so close to their settlements. Thus, one of the losers in the Lebanese war has been Israel, whose warnings were all but disregarded by the Syrians. Indeed, Syrian brinkmanship tested Israel's bluff, and Israel did not reply with expected military force. Consequently, the Syrians won an important strategic victory. And the implications of their political triumph may not augur well for Jerusalem.

For the moment, Syrian involvement in the south continues to remain at the level of one batallion of infantry supported by a few armored personnel carriers. And there are no obvious signs that Damascus intends to construct a military infrastructure which could be employed as a base for hostile action against Israel in the future. Nevertheless, Israel is uneasy.

The recent announcement that Syria intended to withdraw its troops from Nabatiya, a village just eight miles from the frontier, has mollified Israel but has hardly changed the balance of power in the area. In spite of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's trip to the Middle East, observers are not very optimistic about the prospect of an early diplomatic settlement in southern Lebanon.

The reason for their pessimism is obvious: the conflict there is essentially a smaller version of the larger Arab-Israeli dispute, and therefore extremely difficult to solve.

Opinion

'Jews failed to answer call to French'

By ERIKA BIRO

It is no secret that the Jewish community of Quebec has been bewildered, to say the least, these last two years. With the advent of the Parti Quebecois and the fervent leadership of Rene Levesque, there are many who question the purpose of their future in Quebec. It would be an exaggeration to question safety. Only the righteous of Ontario would dare to speak of anti-Semitism in La Belle province. Take two steps out into rural Ontario — not cottage country, but real rural Ontario — and you will find an outspoken representation of bigots.

The industrialists, large and small, have decisions to make regarding the conduct of their business in French even if "Bill 22 is tempered by reasonable judgment". Before all matters of political ideology — how far to the left of left, etc. — stands the unavoidable truth of the spoken language. Spoken and written, for there is not one government memo, not one bureaucratic piece of paper (even the little messages in the Old Age pension cheques) which is not in French. So the financiers, the garment workers, Seagrams, the butchers, the bakers, the candlestick makers all have that one common decision to make. The 15,000 francophone Sephardim, the professionals, such as physicians and lawyers, engineers and dentists, are somewhat set apart. They obviously had a higher education and almost certainly learned, if not succumbed to, adequate French.

It is the older generation of central and eastern European Jews which appears worst hit. The young people certainly had every opportunity to learn French and to practice it. The young of the Jewish middle class, who availed themselves of French schooling, most definitely do not view the language as an obstacle to their continued residence in Quebec. They feel quite at home in both languages. Indeed, once again to our pride, young Jews are part of the intelligentsia at the major universities where French is now de rigueur. Many are openly challenging their parents, though all generations fiercely adore Montreal, because of planned moves to Ontario.

The "established" Jews are hurting. It is the old story of "it could not happen here", simplistically stated. With wavering economic indecisiveness comes the loss of investments, drop in real estate values (the home still being the single most important investment of the average family), and a real nil knowledge of what the next few months will bring.

The province is enormously wealthy in resources but these need to be explored and exploited with adequate funding. This funding is not likely to be forthcoming if a separation and emergence of a new state is in the offing.

Any first year political science textbook describes the measures of hardship and austerity imposed by necessity on a new nation. Witness all the independence movements which rejected British, French and Portuguese rule. In many ways, such colonialism is happily a part of the past and in no way does, or should, Quebec have the same feelings towards Canada as Angola towards Portugal. And yet, this is precisely the journey Levesque has embarked upon, "engage" by his platform.

Private and free enterprise is the pillar on which Jewish communities in America have flourished. It is the only way of doing business that Jews favor and thrive on. They salute and respect the freedom and rights granted to them in a capitalist state. They fear no one under such conditions because they have faith in their hard work and ingeniousness to survive and succeed. There is no denying these facts.

Take away the avenues for such possibilities for achievement, fence them in and staple them to 1984 rituals, and their spirit will be broken. True, the Jews have survived worse situations than Quebec will surely ever present, but the "fil", the lifeline, will be seriously tangled.

It is very distressing that so many Jews refused to answer the call to French. The signs were there for all to see, for so very long. But the Jews, aligning themselves with the English-speaking establishment, never really made a concerted effort to meet the future halfway. It need not have been a surrender, rather a broadening of the mind. No one loses by reading Gabrielle Roy or Anne Hebert, nor Le Devoir's Claude Ryan and Michel Roy.

In Europe, through the ages, even the smallest states were respected in their cultural rights. Geography dictated a different language every time a border was crossed. Long before the phenomenon of English as an international tongue, Central Europeans, in particular, spoke three to four languages with ease and considered it common courtesy to use such among their native hosts.

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Conservative movement helped smooth transition from shtetl to America

Landmark Events In Our History

By ROCHELLE CARR

It was Feb. 23, 1913. One of the three major branches of Judaism, the Conservative movement, formed an association of its synagogues called the United Synagogue of America.

The period in which it was born and grew was filled with divergent pressures for Jews. Life in the new world found the Orthodox hanging on tenaciously to tradition while members of the Reform movement tried to introduce various changes. It was to be from a group that can loosely be described as right-wing Reform and "left wing" Orthodox that the Conservative movement would grow.

The dividing line was so close that some sources claim that men like Rabbis Sabato Morais and Benjamin Szold helped lay the foundation of the Reform movement, while other sources will similarly credit them with work in the Conservative movement. As well, Rabbi Isaac Leeser, whom most Conservatives view as a founder, if not the founder, of their movement, was viewed as a member of the Reform movement by the Orthodox when he expressed his approval of some English during worship services.

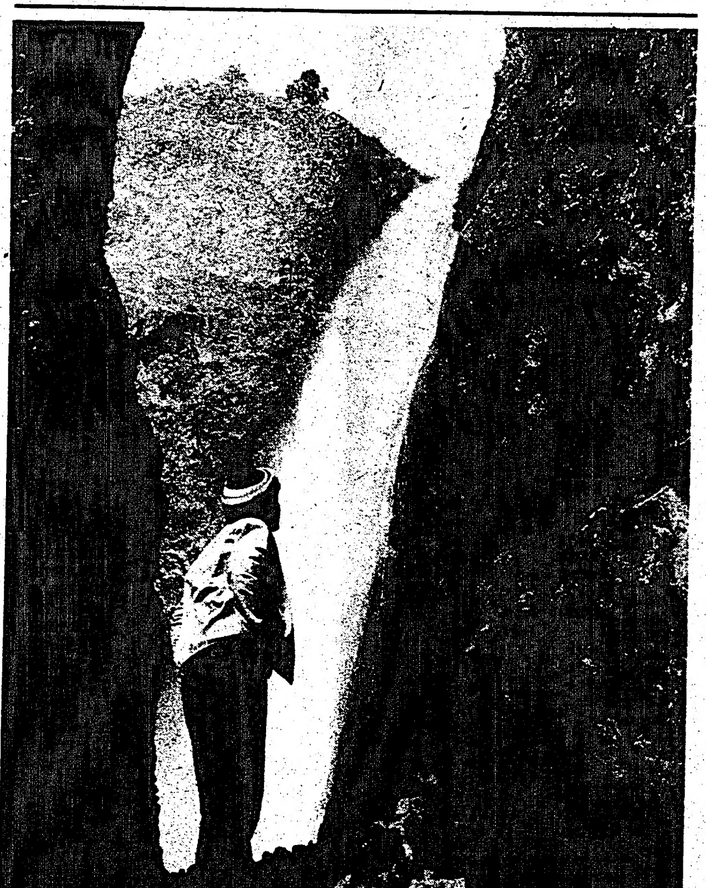
Notwithstanding this tremendous historical confusion, a second alternative to Orthodoxy gradually took root. In many ways, the story of the early growth of the movement revolved around an attempt to found a seminary to train rabbis in the new world.

In 1864, primarily on the insistence of Leeser, Maimonides College was established. It fought a continuous uphill battle, never having more than five rabbinic students in any one year before its official closing in 1875, just as the Reform movement's Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati was opening its doors.

Undaunted, some of the men who helped form the backbone of the Conservative movement met in the beginning of 1886. By the following year, eight students enrolled in a new seminary. At the turn of the century, however, the continued existence of the seminary was, once again, in doubt.

Under the leadership of men like Jacob Schiff, Daniel and Simon Guggenheim and Isador Straus, who were members of New York's Reform Temple Emanu-El, about $500,000 was raised to save the seminary. It is generally accepted that their motivation was predicated on the belief that the vast number of Jewish immigrants arriving in the U.S. at that time would not turn to the Reform movement, making it the body which might more readily help their transition from shtetl Jew to American Jew.

Thus, on April 14, 1902, the new Jewish Theological Seminary of America, with Dr. Solomon Schechter imported from England to be its president, came into being. It, along with the movement's other two arms, the Rabbinical Assembly of America and the United Synagogue of America, would grow and, consequently, make the Conservative movement the force it is today.



ISRAEL'S NIAGARA

(IPPA photo)

There aren't too many waterfalls in Israel. But one of the biggest and most beautiful is the Tanur, located on the Syrian border near Metula. These days, thanks to the strong rainfall that hit Israel this winter, falls of Tanur are exceptionally heavy.

When Eaton was a Jewish uncle

By J. B. SALSBERG

[Second of a series]

Yes, my dear readers, there was a time, 50 or 60 years ago, when most of our immigrant ancestors jovially referred to Eaton's as uncle Eaton.

However, to be historically correct, I am obliged to say that the word "uncle" was actually never used. Since all of our forefathers spoke the Yiddish tongue almost exclusively on their arrival, they good-naturedly referred to the whole Eaton establishment as "fetter (uncle) Eaton". Some even gave the name a more Yiddish twist and it became "fetter Yitten".

In truth it must also be said that such chumminess between our immigrant colony and the T. Eaton Co. did not exist without a few lapses. The cloakmakers strike of 1912 in the Eaton clothing factory, dealt with by Dr. S. A. Speisman last week in this paper, created a veritable war atmosphere between the two sides. Emotions ran high then, since the strikers were almost all Jews.

The immediate cause of the confrontation was the refusal of the male employees to take over certain operations which had always been done by women. The men said that they would not rob their "sisters" of their livelihood and staged a sit-down strike. Perhaps the first of such strikes in this country.

But by the time I became personally related with fetter Eaton the hostilities had ceased and the Eaton store (if not its factories) had once again become the fascinating attraction for the Jewish newcomers that enlarged the Jewish encampment in Toronto.

There existed, of course, the Simpson's store (then known as The Robert Simpson Co.) across the street from Eaton's. But our ancestors did not take to that store for quite a while. Simpson's, with its high ceilings, wide isles and relatively quiet decorum, seemed uninviting. But Eaton's with its low ceilings, narrower isles, more open display of merchandise, larger and noisier crowds seemed more homey to our immigrant parents.

They were also intrigued by two of Eaton's policies. Everything was price-tagged and there was no bargaining. Imagine, one price and take it or leave it! A truly unheard of way of doing business. But that's fetter Eaton for you, they used to say. They were also amazed by fetter Yitten's assurance that you could get your money back if you didn't like what you bought. Both those practices provided the newcomers with a new living experience, indeed.

Not to be outdone by our professional historians, I will gravely state that fundamentally there were three basic reasons for the original Jewish gravitation to the Eaton establishment. They were, most decidedly, of a geographic, economic and social character. (How is that for a display of erudition and profundity?)

First, the geographic aspect. In those far-gone days, the great majority of Toronto's Jews lived, literally, in the shadow of Eaton's store and factory buildings. The crossing of Agnes and Teraulay streets (now Dundas and Bay streets) was for our ancestors what Fifth Ave. and Broadway was for New Yorkers. The Yiddish Theatre, most of our synagogues, the Yiddish daily and the Jewish restaurants and sprouting institutions were within a few short blocks of each other and within arms length of uncle Eaton.

Little wonder that they turned to that neighborly emporium for most of their shopping for what we now call soft goods. Hard goods, like stoves and furniture, was generally bought from Yolles, Levinter and, later, Rotstein on Queen St., where one bought "on payments" (credit to you).

Second, the economic aspect. Many Jewish garment trade craftsmen worked in one or another of Eaton's clothing shops, even after the lost strike. A Mr. Lubelsky, a Jew, was believed to be the real czar of Eaton's clothing manufacturing empire. For each one who believed that Lubelsky was good for Jews there was another who thought otherwise. Later, Eaton's found out that it could buy garments cheaper from the mushrooming Jewish clothing manufacturers than it could produce in its own shops and the Eaton factories were gradually closed down.

But in the early years Jewish men and women walked to and from their jobs at Eaton's. (But it was then said that Jews couldn't get employment in the Eaton store.) The young community also believed that there were bargains to be had at Eaton's and some women "ran there for bargains" almost every day of the week.

Third, the social aspect. Since most of the immigrants at that time came from small East European towns where shops were small and choice even smaller, the Eaton Store, by contrast, was a wonderland of every conceivable merchandise. It was like a day out to go to Eaton's, even if you had no intention or, very often, the wherewithal to buy anything. One was dazzled, enticed, fascinated and encouraged to come back and get it, get what you set your heart on. Going to Eaton's was an experience almost akin to going to the Yiddish theatre.

Indeed, the name Eaton became completely synonymous with variety and with plenty. So much so that an ambitious immigrant opened a two-by-four retail, job-lot store right in the heart of Agnes Street and called it "Little Eaton's". He sold cloth-ends, unmatched crockery, glasses, etc. In the fall he had a steaming wash-boiler in front of his store from which he brought forth hot corn-on-the-cob for his customers. What's wrong, people said, doesn't Fetter Eaton sell food? To the best of my knowledge "Little Eaton's" never became a threat to the "real" Eaton's, but he tried, he tried mightily.

What about my own experiences with fetter Eaton? What about Lady Eaton and Jewish musical talents? What about the special relations of some individual Jews to Eaton's? Rally around next week and, as the Jewish immigrant newsboys used to shout, "read all about it!"

UJA funds make it possible

Nutritional lunches are provided to elderly

TORONTO —

There have been a growing number of surveys by government and social agencies into the poor eating habits of the majority of Canadians, and the lack of well-balanced diets among even the most affluent in our society. Poor nutrition was found to be most prevalent in school-age children and the elderly.

One local agency, the Centre for Creative Living, is doing something concrete about this problem for its membership of senior citizens. Thanks to funds made available for this purpose through the United Jewish Appeal campaign, hot nutritious kosher lunches are served four days a week and a special kiddush lunch is provided each Friday, usually with a visiting rabbi in attendence.

"In good weather we serve at least 150 meals a day," said Rhea Shulman, executive director, "and on bad days we can expect a turnout of 75 people."

The fully-equipped kosher kitchen was recently installed at the centre's new headquarters at 15 Hove Avenue in Downsview, serving only dairy meals.

During the 1976-77 fiscal year, the centre will receive $16,788 to cover operating costs and deficits accrued in running the kitchen from Toronto Jewish Congress, which allocates funds raised by UJA for local needs. For as little as 80 cents, a three-course meal consisting of fish with hot vegetables or a casserole dish, dessert and beverage is available to members. Also on the daily menu are freshly-made salads, sandwiches and homemade soup.

A house committee, made up of volunteers from the centre's membership, takes full responsibility for developing menus, taking turns as cashiers and helping out with the serving of food. The two paid help are the housekeeper and a cook, affectionately known to all at the centre as "Mr. Pops."

"We really hit the jackpot when he came to us," Mrs. Shulman said. "He came here through a LIP grant as our janitor and, before long, we found out that cooking is his hobby. He does all the food shopping and adds his own special touch to the preparation."

The move to new quarters and equipping the kitchen cost $22,000, $11,000 of which was paid for through a Wintario grant. TJC made a one-time allocation of $4,788 and the remainder came through private donations and members' fund-raising.

"Ours is the only senior centre in North York to serve hot lunches on a daily basis," Mrs. Shulman said, "and perhaps in the whole city."

The centre has received a $12,000 grant from the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services for innovative programs. This will go towards the establishment of regular religious services to be conducted by the lay leadership and occasional rabbis and cantors.

"The problem now is to find a permanent facility for Sabbath services," Mrs. Shulman commented. "We've made enquiries at several organizations, but they do not have the storage space for tallisim and prayer books."

Mrs. Shulman said the centre would appreciate hearing from anyone who can provide such a facility.

Volunteers at the Centre for Creative Living kosher kitchen in Toronto help housekeeper Penny Bedel (centre) make up luncheon salads. From left are Min Davis, Mollie Moldofsky, Shirley Goldfarb and Bella Altenberg. The UJA helps fund Centre for Creative Living.

(David Groskind photo)

Veteran trade union leader Max Federman, 75, still works a 60-hour week at his office.

Max Federman—even 'enemies' like him

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Max Federman, the bantam rooster labor leader, greets a visitor at the door of his unadorned office at the Toronto Labor Lyceum. "You want to join the union?" he asks tentatively, his plastic face dissolving into a mischievous grin.

As one of the last Jewish labor leaders in Canada, Federman is still fervently committed to the cause. At the age of 75, he packs in a 60-hour work week and looks 20 years younger for it. Retirement is as far away from his mind as the thought of breaking a strike might be.

Anyone who meets the manager of the Fur & Leather Workers Union, locals 82 & 68, is immediately struck by his dashing youthfulness and his lust for life. ("He's ageless," says J.B. Salsberg, a former MPP and longtime acquaintance who used to be a bitter opponent.) "My work enlivens me and as long as my mind is working and I'm healthy, I have no reason to retire," Federman notes.

Observers in the Jewish community who have watched him for the last few decades say that Federman is a man of the old school, a union militant "who still fights the capitalists and the bosses" and enjoys every minute of it — a person who is liked even by opponents he rubs the wrong way.

Federman's phone rings. It is Joe Morris, president of the Canadian Labor Congress. As the conversation grows in intensity, Federman's eyes light up, and occasionally he emits a loud, infectious laugh that seems to be so characteristic of his personality.

"You're making a lot of trouble in the country and I love you for that!" he says before hanging up.

A wiry, diminutive man whose energy and vitality are legend, Federman has been head of the Fur & Leather Workers Union for the last 45 years. Communists attempted to wrest control of the union twice, but Federman fought them off, and since then he has been democratically elected to office every two years.

Once, he scorned democracy, believing change could only be achieved through force by the dictatorship of the proletariat. Since the mid-'30s, however, Federman has been a democratic socialist. He explains that his ideological turnabout was caused by the Moscow purges, the unwillingness of the Soviet Union to recognize Palestine as a Jewish national homeland and the Hitler-Stalin pact.

As a result of his disillusioning experience with Russia, Federman has become an implacable foe of Communism. Yet, he adds, his ideas still encompass the concept of class struggle, and he asserts with full confidence that "the working class is on the march."

He was born in Poland and left that country to avoid military service in an army whose government was anti-Semitic. For one and a half years, he labored as a coal miner in Germany. In 1920, when he arrived in Toronto, he was already a committed socialist, having learned the credo from his fellow miners. But his father Izzie, who preceded him here, also had some influence over him. A religious Jew, he organized the first strike in Toronto against a garment factory, whose owners made their Jewish workers return to work after synagogue services.

The younger Federman started life in Canada as a fur operator. For a 60-hour week, he received a $3 salary, at a time when the going rate was $12. Like his father, he organized the workers, then led the first furriers strike in 1923. Since then he has been involved in many more strikes.

Fifty-four years after the initial one, Federman's own union membership has shrunk from about 700 to 400. In spite of the decline, he wields much power and influence. Union leaders still ask him for advice and call upon his mediation talents.

In a surprising but frank admission, he admits it is hard to sell socialism to relatively well-paid workers. But the battle is not lost, he emphasizes. Technology is throwing thousands of workers out of their jobs, the current recession shows no signs of abating and thus the working class needs union protection.

Reflecting on his career, Federman says his biggest disappointment is that Canadians have not voted for a socialist government. "This system of society is just a bluff," he says of the Liberal and Conservative regimes that have ruled Ottawa since confederation. Federman, who joined the old CCF in 1938, is an ardent NDPer, though he is not reluctant to criticize its lukewarm stand on nationalization.

Federman, whose wife Evelyn has given him one daughter (and three grandchildren), is devoted to the Jewish community. He is president of the Achdut Haavodah Poale Zion Party and national chairman of the Histadrut Trade Council Union.

At the Canadian Jewish Congress, where he sits on the national executive, he is affectionately known as "The Screamer" because of his passionate speeches. He opposed the merger between Congress and the United Welfare Fund for what he thinks are sound ideological reasons. In his opinion, the merger was a function of the ongoing class struggle, an organizational coup whereby the wealthier Jews in the community seized control of the main communal body.

It hardly matters what one thinks of his outspoken interpretation, since it aptly illustrates the measure of Max Federman as a fighter. Says J.B. Salsberg, "Federman's got principles. He doesn't conceal his views. We need more people like that."

Letters to the Editor

Editorial on yordim 'great disservice to Israel'

Dear Editor:

I find your editorial "Welcome Additions" (Feb. 4) startling and incredible. You put forward the proposition that those who emigrate from Israel to live permanently abroad, commonly referred to as yordim, should be welcomed by us with open arms, and indeed, to be regarded by us as a superior class of people, particularly qualified to teach us, "how to survive as a Diaspora community", and to enlist in the struggle against "the vociferous elements within the Canadian Arab Federation who do not hesitate to blanket local radio and television with their views on the Middle East."

You even equate the nature of this emigration with emigration from the Soviet Union, and you praise "the veritable treasure of human and intellectual resources that we must welcome and tap."

I consider your thesis preposterous, outrageous and destructive to the best interests of the Jewish community. How can you possibly advocate that those who have chosen to pull up their stakes in scorn and reject Israel, for whatever reasons, can possibly be its best defenders against its enemies?

How can you possibly compare those who escape from Russia, because of anti-Semitic oppression there, and who are forbidden by law to leave, with those who deliberately and purposely withdraw their "human and intellectual resources" from Israel, that needs them so desperately and yet freely permits them to leave without let or hindrance?

And where on earth do you get the figures that there are now "750,000 souls" when all the recognized authorities have stated the figure to be in the neighborhood of 300,000 — which is bad enough!

By publishing of this editorial, you have done a great disservice to Israel, and you have insulted the intelligence of those of us here who, although we cannot control the population hemorrhage from Israel, are certainly not prepared to regard their coming to Canada as a great benevolent public service to the Jewish cause, to be hailed with respect and admiration.

Philip G. Givens, MPP
President,
Canadian Zionist Federation

Dear Editor:

The Canadian Jewish News is showing signs of schizophrenia. In its editorial "Hope in Damascus", it exhibited appropriate skepticism about the "flurry of unsubstantiated reports" which suggested that the Syrians had eased the lot of its 4,500 Jewish hostages.

Three weeks later, yet another editorial ("Good News", Feb. 11) swallows completely these same unconfirmed reports and now seems to feel that things are getting better and better for that tragic community. What amazing new facts were revealed between the date of the first editorial and the second? Put bluntly, absolutely nothing!

In support of its new-found near jubilation, the editorial purports to quote Congressman Stephen Solarz in an interview published in the New York Times (Jan. 5) before the first editorial. What The CJN editorial writer describes as "good news" was, in fact, nothing more than a list of promises related by Jewish leaders in Damascus, in discussions which Congressman Solarz acknowledged were always monitored by Syrian government representatives. No report of the Congressman's interview gives an opinion by him that any of the so-called "relaxations" have been implemented in any way. The urging of the CJN to accept these reports at "face value" is as naive as it is mischievous.

There was a reference in the editorial in disparaging terms to "those voices in the Diaspora who cry the loudest." The reference may have been to this committee, which is one of the very few voices, anywhere, speaking out on behalf of Syrian Jewry. Israeli sources refuse to accept the reports as fact, without proof. We, too, while praying that our skepticism is ill-founded, anxiously await one small tangible sign of easing of conditions.

But the editorial completely misses the point, anyway. What great rejoicing can there be even if repression, reminiscent of Nazism, is only alleviated somewhat? The time to rejoice will come when, and only when, the Jews of Syria are allowed to emigrate. Until the world sees that, our efforts will continue, and our voices will cry as loudly as possible.

Judy Feld Carr,
Chairman,
National Committee for Jews in Arab Lands,
Canadian Jewish Congress

Editor's Note:
Letters should be typed, double-spaced if at all possible. We reserve the right to omit any illegible copy from handwritten letters.

Soviet Jews

Dear Editor:

One has to admire Mr. H. Wayne Tannenbaum's view that Canadians have no right "to deny any Soviet Jew the opportunity to leave the Soviet Union" (CJN, Feb. 4). But if Mr. Tannenbaum is suggesting that it is our duty to use fraud to help them leave, then I cannot agree.

We get very upset when someone uses a Canadian visa to enter the country as a visitor or businessman and then proceeds to act as a spokesman against the state of Israel. We should get equally upset when someone uses an Israeli visa to leave the Soviet Union for the express purpose of going to Israel and then uses it to go elsewhere. Call it by its proper name — fraudulent misuse of a visa.

I am one among many who have worked for Soviet Jewry for years. My family has adopted Soviet families who finally are permitted to leave and are now in Israel. We are now working with a family that has been trying to leave for seven years. They long for a visa to go to Israel, not the U.S. or Canada. We are insulting those activists who have been struggling for years to leave for Israel if we condone the drop-out phenomenon.

True, we cannot tell people where to go. But as long as Israeli visas are the only ticket to freedom, they should be respected. We waited a long time to get that precious piece of paper known as an Israeli visa, and we have no right to allow anyone to misuse it.

Any Soviet Jew who decides in Rome or Vienna not to proceed to Israel should either have the visa confiscated or else should reimburse the government of Israel for the cost of that visa. It is the Israeli people who are setting up the organization to process visa applications, building absorption centres and creating housing for the Soviet Jews rather than using the funds required for those programs for internal improvement programs. While we respect the suffering of the Soviet Jews, we must also respect the sacrifices of the people of Israel who are asking only one thing of the Soviet Jews — use the Israeli visa to come to Israel first. Then, if the lifestyle is not for you, feel free to leave.

While we are morally bound to do everything in our power to help Soviet Jews leave the Soviet Union, we must not help them commit fraud by condoning their decision to drop-out. I, for one, refuse to be an accessory to fraud.

Aida Morris,
Montreal

Mordecai Richler

Dear Editor:

Mordecai Richler's works are masterpieces. Their literary craftsmanship and brilliantly related subject matter makes these books fascinating reading. However, Richler will surely be the last to view his works as conducive to elevating the perception which his readers needs must have of his Jewish characters. He will probably not want to gainsay the statement, that both **Duddy Kravitz** and **St. Urbain's Horseman** are replete with the most obnoxious type of ethnic Jews which the mind of man could imagine. There are those who would be compelled to judge these books as being clearly oriented in a manner such as to evoke anti-Jewish sentiments in any, even the most charitable, of readers.

Mordecai Richler is quoted as being "amused" at the news that a West German publishing house has refused to publish his books because of the "Jewish setting" that is the core of the plots in both of these works. The Canadian Publishing Foundation's Robert Weaver is quoted as being horrified by the West German publishing firm's reaction to his gracious offer, and he immediately suspects "some latent anti-Semitism".

What Mr. Weaver quite obviously fails to realize is the publishing firm's reluctance precisely because of its **fears** for the anti-Jewish effect which a perusal of these books would doubtlessly have to have on German readers.

No one accuses Canadian laureate Mordecai Richler of fabrication. His Jewish characters are doubtlessly cut from real life, specifically that which prevailed in the area which he describes in his fascinating books. Unfortunately, the type of Jews that populate his books is hardly going to excite admiration. These characters are by and large corrupt, deceitful, obsessed by financial greed; they are thieves and procurers, criminals and drifters of diverse stripe.

There is no harm in publishing these two books in the Hebrew or Yiddish language, nor in featuring the film **Duddy Kravitz** in Israel. Anywhere else, Christian-Jewish realities and relations are assuredly not going to be improved by **Duddy Kravitz** and by the **Horseman**.

Klaus J. Herrmann,
Montreal

School budget

Dear Editor:

Your Jan. 28 issue carries a report of the annual meeting of Associated Hebrew Schools. In this report your Toba Korenblum states as follows: "Other statistical data illustrates that 25% of pupil cost is directed towards administration, considered by the budget chairman to be a modest figure."

I think that your readers may obtain an incorrect impression upon reading the aforementioned report. The relevant supplementary data tabled at the annual meeting indicated that remuneration and related costs (educational) amounted to 75% of the budget.

However, from the report in your paper, it might be inferred that the balance of the cost related exclusively to administrative salaries, etc. The same page containing the statistical data makes it patently obvious that out of a total budget of $2,723,000, administrative costs (i.e. salaries, administrative) amounted to only $222,000 or approximately 8% of the budget, or, stated another way, approximately $127 per pupil.

The balance of the costs referred to loosely as administrative in your report are occupancy costs (heat, light and maintenance), interest (referred to separately in your report) and bad debts.

Ronald M. Heller,
Toronto

Aliyah

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to the article "UJA mission — an eye-opener for four university students" (Feb. 4). The questions I would like to raise are: Were the feelings conveyed only that Israel has financial needs? Were their eyes not open to the needs of Israel for Jewish people, men and women to come, work and live?

UJA may be a convenient way of meeting one's obligation to Israel without any commitments. Aliyah is equally or even more important to Israel and its economy — the giving of oneself is no doubt worth more to Israel than any one person's donation.

UJA sent four students to Israel on an eye-opener trip to see where the money is needed and put to use. Why hasn't the Aliyah Centre put together a similar trip for students to see the various opportunities available there and for opening their eyes to the needs to the people.

There is a lack of interest in aliyah due to students being fed with the idea that "Israel needs your money" rather than "Israel needs you." The issue is not considered on both sides of the coin, there is a great need for student aliyah awareness right here in Toronto. As a response to this need, recently a number of students have come together and formed a group which we call Hevrat Aliyah.

The purpose of Hevrat Aliyah is mainly to serve as a source; a source of moral support and straight-forward information on opportunities in Israel. This is directed towards students and young people, between the ages of 18-25, who are considering making aliyah. Secondly, for those who want to learn more about Israel and/or considering Israel as an alternative.

Shelly Brucker,
Hevrat Aliyah,
Toronto

Organizations and People

what's new...

BY MIRIAM HERMAN

SUNDAY LECTURES

Sunday offers a variety of lectures to choose from — Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East, University of Toronto chapter, are having Maj.-Gen. Mattityahu Peled, former chief of logistics of the Israel Defence Force and presently chairman of the Arab studies department at Tel Aviv University, who will deal with **A Proposal for Peace Settlement Between Israel and the Palestinians.** It's at 2 p.m. at New College, U of T....At 8:30 at Ulpanat Orot, B'nei Akiva's Institute for Study of Zionism and Eretz Yisrael presents a discussion on **War and Peace in the Middle East: Israel and the Arab Countries** with Norman May and Nick Simmonds of the Canada-Israel Committee....If Hebrew is your thing, Keren Hatarbut Institute is sponsoring a lecture by Prof. Joseph Shatzmiller, head of the Jewish studies department at the U of T, whose topic will be **The Jews in Medieval Spain — How Golden a Golden Age.** That's at 8:15 at the Zionist Centre....Or if you prefer Yiddish, there's a meeting of the Yiddish Culture Council at 8:30 at 471 Lawrence Ave. West, featuring author S.L. Shneiderman of New York in a talk on **What Remains of the Thousand Year Old Jewish Community of Poland.**

MARTYRS COMMEMORATED

Celebrating its 50th anniversary recently, Congregation Adat Sholom, formerly the Minsker-Farband, donated a room in the D. Lou Harris Canadian dormitories at the Technion in Israel. The room is to be named for the martyrs of Minsk during the Holocaust. These Canadian dormitories provide accommodation for some 600 students, mostly from underprivileged families and new immigrants, on the Mt. Carmel campus. Among Canadians in attendance were Willie Saltzman, Sinai Leichter, Fred Gotlieb and Mike Rogow.

ABOUT NUTRITION

If you want to know more about what's good to eat and what isn't, health-wise that is, turn up for the health series lecture run by Mount Sinai Hospital Auxiliary Wednesday, March 2, at 12:30 p.m. at the hospital. That's when home economist Ruth Fremes and biochemist Dr. Zak Sabry, co-authors of the book, **Nutriscore**, and a newspaper column, **Eating Right**, will be discussing nutrition.

STUDENTS FOR BAR-ILAN

An announcement from Michael Zimmerman, national president of Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, reports that Canadian students may now enrol at the university for either summer or full-time programs for the academic year 1977-78. The summer program gives undergraduates and post-graduate professionals the chance to earn up to six credits. If you are interested, get in touch with the Canadian Friends office.

PURIM TIME

For Purim gift giving — Lubavitch Youth Organization has put together a packet containing a short description of the holiday plus the necessary items (raisins, nuts, pennies) for Mishloach Manot (presents) and Matanos La'Evyonim (gifts to the poor). Just contact the LYO office at 633-8020....To raise funds for nursery school in Israel, Leah Hidron Chapter of Mizrachi Women is selling and delivering Shelachmones — gift-wrapped baskets (all Israeli products). Call 782-6296.

For Purim fun — The Associated Hebrew Schools' parade of stars, featuring its own Klei Kodesh Band, goes on Wednesday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the Finch Educational Centre....At the same time, Shaarei Shomayim youth groups will be listening to a lecture on the miracle of Purim titled **Hashem as an Undercover Agent** by Gary Seidenfeld of Ner Israel Yeshiva. This will be followed by **Ask the Rabbi** with Rabbi Shlomo (Steven) Mernick, youth leader....Hillel's gala party on Thursday, the 3rd, at 8 p.m. at Hart House, U of T, goes public with a Marx Brothers-style Purim spiel, music and prizes. the megillah will be read earlier at 6:45 at Hillel House.

FOR BARGAIN HUNTERS

The bazaar sponsored by Canadian Foundation of Pioneering Israel promises money-saving bargains for everyone. It runs this Saturday and Sunday, the 26 and 27th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 181 Cocksfield Ave., Downsview.

FROM EDEN TO YEDEN

Shaar Shalom Synagogue has arranged *an evening with the Beth Am Players* who will be presenting the musical revue, **From Eden to Yeden**, this Saturday, the 26th, at 8:30 p.m. at Rho Pi Phi Fraternity, 120 Overbrook Place. For tickets, call Agnes Kochberg at 493-0946.

TEA AND FASHIONS FOR UJA

Earlier on Sunday, at 2 p.m., the Grade 9 class at Associated Hebrew Schools is holding their annual tea and fashion show to raise funds for the UJA. It takes place at 2 p.m. at the Bathurst Street school.

SINGLES EVENTS

A disco dance for the Modern Singles (22-42) is set for 8:30 Saturday, the 26th, at 488 Eglinton Ave. West.

Then, on Sunday — The New Young Adults are having a wine and cheese disco dance beginning at 8:30 at the northern 'Y'....Also at the northern 'Y', the World of the Singles will be discussing **Hypnosis — Realities and Misconceptions** with Dr. J.M. Weinberg, member of Ontario Society of Clinical Hypnosis. That's at 8:15....Today's Singles (23-43) are holding a disco derby at 8:15 at North Toronto Memorial Gardens, 180 Eglinton Ave. And for a change of pace, there's a newly-formed independent group for singles (mid 20s to early 30s) oriented to cultural programs such as classical music, literary reviews, and discussions of Jewish identity. They're having their first meeting at 7:30 at Hillel House to talk about Elie Wiesel's writings. You don't have to register — just come.

ADULT INSTITUTE LECTURE

Disturbing Trends in North American Jewish Life is the title of the lecture being given by Prof. Arthur Kruger, principal, Woodsworth College, U of T, for Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue's adult institute on Monday, the 28th, at 9 p.m.

...about people

(Canada Wide Photo)

Dr. Gerry Sugar

Dr. Gerry Sugar is the new Canadian Veterans Squash Champion. The Toronto psychiatrist, who is based at Clarke Institute, came away with top score in the recent tournament in Montreal in the veterans (over 40) class, winning out in the finals against last year's title-holder. The tournaments are held annually, attracting players from all across North America. Dr. Sugar says the game is one-third racket skill (placing the ball), one-third physical aspect (speed and strength), and one-third mental concentration (strategy and game plan). He has been playing squash for 10 years, starting out at the 'Y'. Actually, he won his first tournament there, before going on to other provincial and national championships.

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The Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds has set up a committee to review CJF's purposes and determine how it can best serve the 210 member federations, welfare funds and community councils in North America. Among those named to the committee are **Monty Berger** of Montreal, **Irwin Gold** of Toronto, and **Hy Hochberg** of Ottawa.

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One of the most gifted and sensitive writers of our time, **Elie Wiesel**, will be in Toronto next week. He will be speaking at Convocation Hall on the University of Toronto campus Wednesday, March 2, at 8 p.m. The evening is co-sponsored by B'nai B'rith Hillel and the Student Administrative Council. Tickets may be obtained from Hillel, the Jewish Student Federation at York University, the SAC office, or the Negev Book Store.

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Wine was flowing in the streets out Hollywood way recently. Five hundred bottles of French stuff were poured down the sewer by actor **Red Buttons** and director **Arthur Hiller**, and about 1,000 other members of the Synagogue for the Performing Arts in Beverly Hills. The wine went down the drain outside the French tourist office in protest of France's release of Abu Daoud.

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From Winnipeg comes word that **Samuel Galpern** will be the guest of honor at that community's JNF 1977 Negev Dinner. Active in all phases of Jewish community life, the Winnipeg businessman has been associated with Zionist causes since his early teens. The dinner is slated for June with **Irwin Dorfman** serving as chairman and **Reuben Cristall** and **Dick Rothberg** as co-chairmen of hosts.

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While on the subject of JNF — The organization has honored Victorian woman novelist **George Eliot**, whose book, **Daniel Deronda**, affirms the right of Jews to their ancient homeland. A grove of 1,000 trees has been planted in her name in Galilee.

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Former cabinet minister **Herb Gray** makes his first visit to Hamilton when he comes to speak at the Jewish Community Centre at 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 6. He will be the guest speaker in a program entitled **Our Jewish Heritage** in the first of what is hoped will become an annual event marking Canadian Heritage Day.

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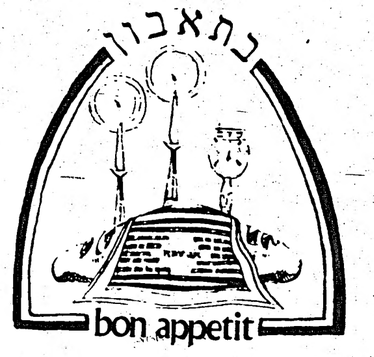
Brandy adds right touch

Fried pastry suitable dish for Purim



By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

The cigarette boxes and picture frames were of finely inlaid wood, so minutely detailed and smoothly surfaced that the pattern seemed to be painted on. The tea service was of elegantly chased silver.

And the sumptuous rugs on the floor were covered with the delicate tracery of floral sprays and refined geometric designs, in blues, beiges, rose pinks and almond greens.

But the framed photograph was the final clue to the origin of Chana and her family: it showed the Shah of Persia and his wife mingling with a group of people in a room.

"That's my brother welcoming the Shah in the photo," said Chana. He manages a large carpet factory in Meshed, where we come from."

It was from Meshed that Chana came to Israel 10 years ago to marry her husband, also from Meshed. Now they have four children. Meshed, in the north-east corner of Iran, bordering on Soviet Russia, is the holiest site in Persia to Moslems of the Shiite sect, who have come on pilgrimages to the town from the earliest days, making it an important trade as well as a religious centre. Meshed is known for its resplendent mosques, said to hold incomparable and priceless rugs.

Chana herself has a feeling for identifying and appraising rugs, having joined the staff in her family's rug factory when she left high school. "Carpet weaving is women's work," Chana told me. "They sit at room-high looms, tying knots over the warp and weft, while the pattern is called, or according to a graph placed in front of them. Then the wool knots are clipped and trimmed to give a smooth appearance to the nap. A large rug takes about one month to complete."

In common with other Persian Jews, Chana used to visit Hamadan, traditionally reputed as the site of the tombs of Esther and Mordechai. The tombs at Hamadan have been venerated by Jews from the earliest times. They come on frequent occasions, as well as at Purim, to pray at the tombs for intercession.

"Hamadan is a lovely place, with gardens and fountains," related Chana. "Non-Jews used to visit, too. We used to take picnic baskets and go down for the day for family outings."

Chana gave me a Purim recipe for Ghoshvil, a fried pastry, dusted in confectioners' sugar, which is an integral part of every Mishloah Manot plate: the portion of goodies, traditionally sent to friends, family and the needy on Purim. The pastry is easy to work with, and the brandy adds the right touch for Purim, when one is bidden to imbibe liberally.

Ghoshvil
3 cups flour, or more
3 eggs
1/4 cup oil
1 full wine glass brandy
1/4 cup water
confectioners' sugar

1. beat eggs, oil, brandy and water together. Add flour to achieve a soft, springy dough that does not stick to fingers. Allow dough to rest one hour

2. taking small balls of the dough at a time, roll out thinly on a flour dusted surface and cut out into diamond and square shapes. Spirals can also be made by cutting thin strips and winding them round the little finger. Fry shapes in deep, hot oil over medium heat for a few moments each side, until golden. Drain on a rack and dust with confectioners' sugar. Makes about 7 dozen.

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Happy Purim Preparations!
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Yiddish stars are to appear in auditorium

TORONTO —

A Yiddish Theatre of Humor and Songs "From the Treasures of our People", with an ensemble of five outstanding stars of the New York American-Jewish musical stage, TV and radio, will be presented on Saturday, March 26, at Eaton's Auditorium, College and Bay Streets. It was announced by Charles Wise, chairman of the Labor Zionist Alliance B. Borochov Branch 124 and sponsor of their appearance in Toronto.

The all-star ensemble includes: Chayele Ash from Israel, Ari Fuhrman and Abraham Fuhrman, two character actors and Yiddish humorists. They will appear in a lively revue that will include dramatization from some of the best and most beloved works in modern Yiddish literature, as well as songs in Yiddish, Hebrew and English, with the participation of vocalist and song stylist Barbara Moskow.

Tickets are on sale at the Negev Importing Company, Eaton's Auditorium and at the Labor Zionist Alliance office in Toronto.

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Writers are sympathetic to Israel, says reporter

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — David Lancashire has seen it all in the Middle East.

As an Associated Press foreign correspondent in Israel and the Arab world during the '60s and '70s, he covered wars, revolutions and assassinations and interviewed prime ministers, kings and kibbutzniks.

This is Lancashire's first winter in Canada in some 20 years. The courtly Toronto-born reporter, who was AP's chief correspondent in Israel from 1971-76, returned home last autumn because he wanted his two sons to grow up as Canadians. He is now a feature writer for The Globe and Mail.

He says he'll miss certain features of Israeli life — swimming in the Mediterranean, snorkeling in the Red Sea and getting together with friends at regular Friday night social gatherings.

Above all, however, Lancashire, 46, will miss the sheer excitement and drama of living in a country perpetually on the edge of uncertainty. "You lived with a sense of urgency," he explained. "Survival was a daily question in Israel, and now we find ourselves in a comfortable country, which we like, where the problem of survival has been licked."

Lancashire — who worked in London's AP bureau between his Arab and Israeli assignments — says Israel was easier to cover than the Arab world.

"In principle, I disapproved of the censorship in Israel. But it is easy to understand why a country at war finds it necessary to examine every story," he said. "I never found it a difficult burden. You could confront the censor, and often win an argument. A censor could also be helpful. He could put you straight, tell you when you were wrong."

Censorship was at its tightest during major terrorist incidents, particularly during the Ma'alot massacre in 1974, he recalls.

By contrast, censorship was more severe in the Arab world when Lancashire was stationed there between 1960-68. "You never saw the censor. The last time you saw your copy was when you slipped it into his shute and prayed it would arrive in some coherent form."

He says the overwhelming majority of foreign correspondents he knew in Israel were sympathetic toward Israel. "Two or three guys were pro-Arab and several more were fed up with the red tape and the day-to-day difficulty of living there. But they all maintained their objectivity in their work."

Lancashire's views were pro-Israeli. "It's a worthy country. A modern, civilized and progressive state has been created. It's a valiant and idealistic country, though the idealism is frayed at the edges."

The biggest stories he reported on were the various terrorist raids and the Yom Kippur War. He remembers the 1973 war vividly. "I woke up at 6:30 on Yom Kippur morning to the noise of traffic in the street. It was very obvious that something was very amiss, Yom Kippur day always being very quiet. I made one phone call after another and soon got an inkling as to what was happening. I knew mobilization was in effect by seven. I rounded up the staff, and started writing at 11."

For the next 36 hours, Lancashire wrote without a stop, his two Israeli staffers filing reports from the battle zones. Because Ben Gurion Airport was closed to civilian flights, AP — the largest news agency in the world — couldn't get reinforcements for days. Lancashire got out to the battlefields only in the last stages of the conflict.

Golda Meir was the most dynamic personality he met in Israel, her resoluteness, sense of humor and energy impressing him. But Lancashire quickly added that Israel was full of other interesting people.

When he was based in Beirut, the big stories of the day were the Pope's visit to the Holy Land, the Six Day War and the collapse of one of Lebanon's main banks, the director of which was immortalized in Morris West's book, **The Tower of Babel.** The most colorful story he pursued was the coup in Yemen, a land he found as fascinating as remote Tibet.

Lancashire says he never believed all those scare stories about Israel's demise disseminated by the Arabs during the Six Day War. That was partly because of an experience he had on a Damascus rooftop. The Syrians had announced that they had destroyed the entire Israeli air force. But there, in the clear blue Syrian sky, Lancashire saw Israeli jets making bombing and strafing runs.

The Syrians arrested him and the Reuters correspondent — the only Western reporters in Syria. They released them eight hours later, then deported the pair to Lebanon.

All in all, Lancashire and his family found the living pleasant in both Beirut and Tel Aviv. He thought Israel was more Levantine than he imagined it might be, and he discovered that the only really efficient organization in the country was the Ministry of Defence.

He maintains his interest in the region, and indeed, a number of his recent Globe articles have dealt with aspects of the Middle East.

He is not optimistic about the prospect of a quick Arab-Israeli settlement, noting: "The Arabs haven't accepted Israel's existence." Lancashire is skeptical about Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's moderation, and he warns that the PLO will not be content with just a West Bank-Gaza Strip state.

Former Associated Press correspondent in Israel, David Lancashire, greets Israeli troops in Egypt days after the 1973 Arab-Israeli war. Portrait of the late president Gamal Abdel Nasser adorns Israeli halftrack.

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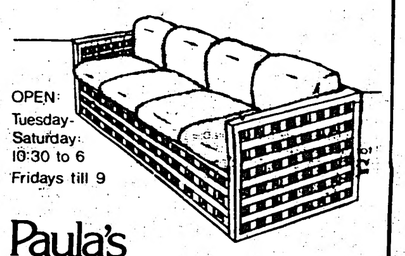

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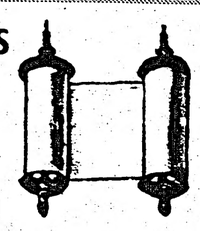

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Teruma/Shabbat Zachor/Purim 5737
Zachor et asher asah l'cha amalek... Remember what Amalek did unto thee...

When you have a diamond for a heart, you don't need a stony one for your finger....

Once a poor man came to the saintly Reb Schmelcke for help. The tzadik didn't have any money, so he gave him his wife's ring. When the rebbitzen returned, she was furious. "Don't you know there's an expensive stone in it?"

The rabbi immediately dispatched a messenger after the man, as his wife waited impatiently. In a short while he returned. "Well, did you get me back my ring?"

"No."

"But what did my husband send you for?"

"He told me to catch up with the man, and tell him to make sure that he gets a good price for the ring because of the stone...." (Fun Unzer Alter Oitzer)

It's easy to **schuckle** and pore over books — but a real Jew has to make every strand of his heart holy to G-d. A Jew has to refine himself to the point where you can see the **shechina** shining on his face. Imagine...when Bezalel made the first aron kodesh — Ark of the Torah — G-d commanded him to coat it inside and out with gold. Bezalel threw up his hands. "What does He think I am, Goldfinger? Why do I have to coat the inside with gold — who's going to know the difference?"

But the Ribono shel Olam shook His head. "Listen...it's a sign for my Yiddelech, even in Toronto. What good is it if a Jew's outside is golden — he makes a big show of going to shul and buying glatt kosher — but meanwhile, when no one is looking, he sneaks in a sin here and there, or tries to get away with a little financial hankey pankey. A Jew has to coat his insides with real **yir'at shamayim** — fear of Heaven....(Adapted from Yoma 72)

There is no greater chillul Hashem than when a religious Jew is caught in shady dealings — G-d Himself becomes a little smaller....

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Every Jewish table should be a little Aron Kodesh. It's weird...when Moses put up the sanctuary, G-d told him to set a constant table with 12 "show breads" on them. Moses scratched his head — "what is this, a kosher bakery? What's with all the loaves?"

Ah, but it teaches...every Jewish table should always have "show bread," ready for guests in the home. Today, thank G-d, no one is hungry — but how many Jews never hear a kiddush recited, or have to eat each meal salted with loneliness? This writer wishes he had $100 for every lonely Jew in Toronto, both old and young....

What stops us from opening our doors?

By the way...there used to be a custom to build a person's casket out of the boards of his table — to show that all a person has to take along with him in the next world is not his Retirement Savings Plan — but the mitzvahs he performs by having guests at his table....

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"Why did they all get up?" he yelled.

"Barechu," they answered him.

"Who the devil is president here?" he roared with rage. "I or Barechu?"

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There is a little Amalek in every Jewish heart, trying to rip us away from G-d and Torah....**macho timche et zaicher Amalek** — we must not let ourselves be hoodwinked....

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One can't forget Holocaust, Winnipeg educator learned

By A. J. ARNOLD

WINNIPEG — An anti-Semitic epithet in a Winnipeg junior high school and experience in living through the Yom Kippur War in Israel made Leona Lakser realize that she could not forget about the Holocaust.

Mrs. Lakser is vice-principal and head of the elementary department of the Winnipeg Talmud Torah. A native of Winnipeg, she was born during the war, attended the Peretz School, as well as the Talmud Torah before going on to the University of Manitoba.

"At university I became a universalist," she said, "made friends in many different circles, forgot about the Holocaust and about anti-Semitism."

After becoming a teacher, she was away from Winnipeg with her husband for a number of years. On their return, she began to teach at Jefferson Junior High School.

"One day, early in 1973," she related, "I got hit between the eyes while teaching British history to a grade nine class."

Leona Lakser

The door of her classroom was open and about 20 minutes after the period started she noticed one of her students, who should have been taking the class, wandering about in the corridor. She called him in and asked him to report to her during his lunch break to make up for the work he had missed. In response, the tardy student told her, in front of the class:

"I don't have to listen to a damn thing you say, you Jew bitch!"

She marched him down to the principal's office where she explained what happened to the vice-principal who was on duty. He told her it was not a remark to be taken seriously and tried to laugh it off.

The unexpectedness of the student's verbal assault and the insensitive apathy of the vice-principal made her begin to think again about the Jewish experience in World War II and the significance for her of the Holocaust literature which she had read in earlier years.

At the end of the spring term, her husband, a maths professor at the University of Manitoba, had a sabbatical leave and they went off to Israel with their children.

That's where they were when the Yom Kippur War broke out Oct. 6.

"I found that a woman I had just befriended was in danger of becoming widowed and her children orphaned," she related. Being fluent in Hebrew, she decided to volunteer to take the place of a teacher who was also called up. For five months she taught history in Hebrew in Israel.

As she was preparing to return to Winnipeg, Leona Lakser decided to resign from Jefferson Junior High, and she applied for a position with the Winnipeg Hebrew School and the Wolinsky Collegiate. That's where she began to teach on her return with her special concern becoming how to transmit an appreciation of history to Jewish children.

"In a child's mind," she explained, "history becomes garbled. What happened 10 years ago could have taken place 100 years ago. We must understand why children cannot feel as we do about the past within our own memory."

She recounted that one year when the **Diary of Anne Frank** was shown to students in grade six and seven, it had a great impact. The Holocaust memorial service acquired special meaning for them a little later that season.

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March 1	Toronto Jewish Congress, T'nach Study Group, "Malachi – Introduction and Chapter 1," Israel Katz, lecturer, Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
March 5	Beth Tzedec Congregation, film presentation, "Tobruk," 1700 Bathurst St., 8:30 p.m.
March 5	Labor Zionist Alliance, Annual Purim Dance, 14 Viewmount Ave., 8:30 p.m.
March 6	Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, "Jewish Music Festival of Stars," 100 Elder St., 8 p.m.
March 6	Beth Tzedec Congregation, "Sunday Night in the Museum," with Alan Freedman and Samuel Simchovitch, 1700 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
March 6	Hamilton Jewish Community Centre, "Heritage Day: Our Canadian Jewish Experience," 57 Delaware Ave., Hamilton, 8 p.m.
March 7	Jewish Community Centre of Ottawa, "Haifa Municipal Theatre" Concert, 151 Chapel St., Ottawa, 7 p.m.
March 12	Jewish Student Federation, Benefit Concert for Israel with Safam, Rinah Chorale and Bat Sheva, Burton Auditorium, York University, 8 p.m.
March 12	Adath Israel Congregation, Tenth Annual Concert, 37 Southbourne Ave., 8:30 p.m.
March 12	London Jewish Community Council, The Haifa Municipal Theatre, "Voices from Israel," Or Shalom Synagogue, 534 Huron St., London, Ont., 8:30 p.m.
March 12	Beth Tzedec Congregation, "Survey of the Toronto Arts and Drama Scene," with Rick Kardonne, 1700 Bathurst St., 8:30 p.m.
March 13	Toronto Jewish Congress, "An Evening of Jewish Choral Music," with ten Toronto choirs, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St., 8 p.m.
March 13	Bnei Akiva–Religious Zionist Youth Movement, "War and Peace in the Middle East: Terrorism and the PLO," Miriam Ziev, lecturer, 4445 Bathurst St., 8:30 p.m.
March 14	Adath Israel Congregation, "The Religious Mosaic," Dr. Krister Stendahl, lecturer, 37 Southbourne Ave., 9 p.m.
March 15	Toronto Jewish Congress, T'nach Study Group, "Malachi – Chapters 2 and 3," Victor Sefton, lecturer, Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
March 17	Jewish Public Library, A Concert for the Community, Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St., 8:15 p.m.
March 20	Labor Zionist Alliance, "Jewish Music Through the Generations," with Israel Appel, 14 Viewmount Ave., 8:30 p.m.
March 25 –26	Beth Tzedec Congregation, Torah Weekend Series. For information call 781–3511.
March 26	Labor Zionist Alliance, Yearly Yiddish Theatre, Eaton's Auditorium, 8 p.m.
March 27	Bnei Akiva–Religious Zionist Youth Movement, "The Administered Territories," with Prof. Y. Dinstein, lecturer, 4445 Bathurst St., 8:30 p.m.
March 29	Toronto Jewish Congress, T'nach Study Group, "Summary – Twelve Prophets," lecturer to be announced, Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.

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Professor Selig Adler, Distinguished Service Professor of American History, State University of New York at Buffalo
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Professor Moshe Greenberg
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Golda Meir tells Bond leaders...

'Kissinger is not an enemy of Israel'

By LOUISE CORNBLUM

JERUSALEM —

"Anyone who believes that Henry Kissinger intended to hurt Israel, or is an enemy of Israel, is either foolish or vicious or both," Golda Meir told 250 North American Israel Bond leaders who recently attended the Prime Minister's Conference in Israel.

She praised Kissinger's achievements in bringing about disengagement agreements with Egypt and Syria.

Recalling her visit to the United States last year, she said that after meeting President Jimmy Carter she was convinced that the new administration would be friendly to Israel.

Minister of Defence Shimon Peres also shared his opinions with the Bond leaders. He said he had the feeling that this year would be full of unforeseen events. "I have reason to believe that the Lebanese are far from being satisfied watching Syrian tanks occupying their beloved country. The Syrian attempt to widen their control in Lebanon represents a built-in Syrian appetite to enlarge their country into a greater Syria.

"We shall try to solve the present misunderstanding with Syria crossing the 'red line' in a diplomatic way. We do not look forward to an extension of the Arab-Israeli conflict into a new area."

He agreed with Lt.-Gen. Mordechai Gur that Israel need not come begging to the U.S. for aid to strengthen her defence posture. The chief of staff told the conference that, "the help, the military assistance we receive from the United States represents the result of an agreement which is of equal benefit to both sides."

All speakers made reference to Israel's security problems. Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs Yigal Allon commented on the necessity for holding the strategic belt in the administered areas which is vital for Israel's defense.

"We may be able to compromise on territory," he said, "but we cannot and we shall not compromise on security. It is, I think, quite enough that our boys have to face about one against four, sometimes one against five enemies, and therefore we must provide them with the best possible equipment and with the best possible geo-strategic posture which may deter the other side from trying its hand on the battlefield again."

Participants helped to lay the cornerstone of the half-million dollar Hadera electric power plant (which will be powered by coal) and then attended a symposium on energy at the Technion, where they learned what steps were being taken to reduce Israel's dependence on oil imports.

Despite the pragmatism which motivated the conference, emotion pervaded the atmosphere from the moment the giant El Al 747 touched down at a secret airbase "somewhere in Israel" to be greeted by young pilots and their commander, Maj. Gen. Benyamin Peled.

And a trip to the "Good Fence" at Lebanon, where some of the delegates shared both laughter and tears of sorrow with the victims of war, won't be forgotten either.

Those who attended from Toronto were George and Susan Cohon, Murray, Louise, and Richard Cornblum, Jack and Norine Daniels, Harriet Morton, Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, Esther Sarick and Gilbert Shoham.

Bonds leaders from all over the world recently gathered in Israel. Among them was Louise Cornblum, who is also a Canadian Jewish News freelance writer. She chats here with Israel Industry Minister Chaim Bar-Lev.

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Swissair launches drive to increase share of Canada-Israel cargo market

TORONTO [Staff] —

Swissair, the only airline currently operating with wide-body planes on the Canada-Israel route, has launched a campaign to increase its share of cargo traffic between the two countries.

As part of its drive, cargo sales representative Rachel Sold has come to Canada to see a number of Canadian company officials, both in Montreal and Toronto.

She explained other airlines do not use the wide-bodied DC-10 aircraft on the Canada-Israel route while Swissair has the planes, capable of handling 28,000 pounds, on each of its four weekly flights (three until April 1), which land in both Montreal and Toronto. El Al will shortly have a 747 flying to Mexico make a weekly stop in Montreal.

Rachel Sold
(David Groskind photo)

Above all else, Swissair's DC-10s, unlike the 707s of its competitors, have specialized systems which allow pre-loading and avoid off-loading at transit stations, said Miss Sold in an interview with The Canadian Jewish News. She explained this was important for delicate articles, especially household goods and textiles.

One of the reasons Swissair initiated its drive was CP Air's decision to stop Canada-Israel flights last fall. Swissair is after two-way traffic between the countries. In Canada, they are approaching companies about shipping machinery and communications and computer parts.

Miss Sold reports her reception in Canada has been warm. But as an Israeli experiencing the Canadian winter for the first time, that's about all she found warm.

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Directs Reform program

By RITA EISENDRATH

NEW YORK — Montreal-born Rabbi Allan Levine is one of the dynamic directors of the youth program in Israel sponsored by the Reform movement. His wife, Suzi, is from Casablanca, and with their children they provide an oasis from which aid to both olim and garin emanate.

Levine, a product of Temple Emanu-El, was encouraged by Rabbi Harry Stern to teach religious school, become a youth group advisor, and eventually enter the rabbinate. He thinks that both the negative and positive aspects of Quebec life influenced his strong feelings about his Jewishness — that is, the anti-Semitism encountered in his childhood, and the uniqueness and individuality of the Quebec community, stressing religious cultural attachment.

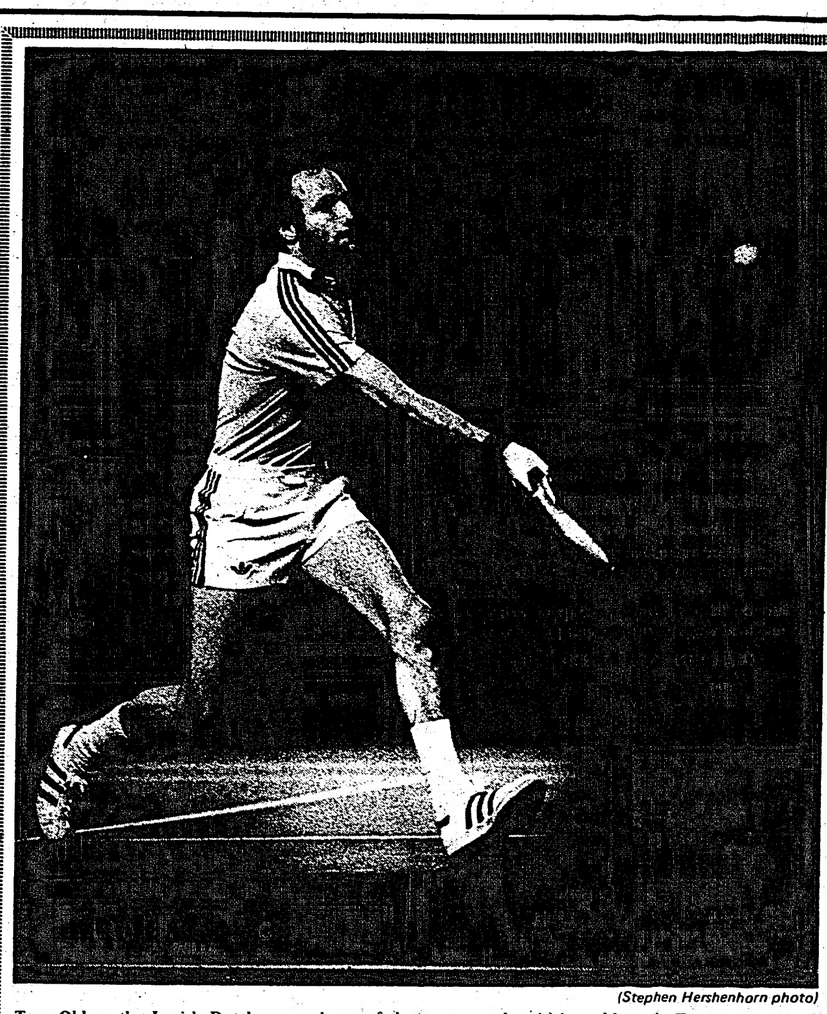
As a young rabbi in the United States, he saw social action as a major thrust of the Jewish living experience, which led to his involvement with the problems of juvenile delinquency and mental health, and the civil rights' movement in the '60s.

In 1968, leading a mitzvah corps, Levine visited Ben Shemen, a youth village working with disadvantaged children from Oriental backgrounds. Later, when given the opportunity to work there, he felt he "was moving towards the most meaningful form of social action, both in the struggle for the ideal, and working together with individual youngsters at a personal level." There are now some 10 Ben Shemen graduates at Kibbutz Yahel, where he is now directly involved.

"The values of Ben Shemen are very special," says Rabbi Levine, "as children must learn that they cannot achieve any work without helping and being helped." Slum children learn to plan, those who were totally self-centred learn to be social creatures, those who have no real work habit learn one, and those who seem incapable of reaching higher education do so because they are given intensive love and help on a 24 hour basis.

When asked how he and Suzi felt about their personal life in Israel, Allan replied: "This is the most difficult to answer because I love Canada, my birth place; I love the United States, which was good to me, offering me freedom of opportunity and freedom to change things. But a Jew can live his Jewishness more fully in Israel than anywhere else. Canada can survive without me, but can Israel survive without my children and me? That is the question."

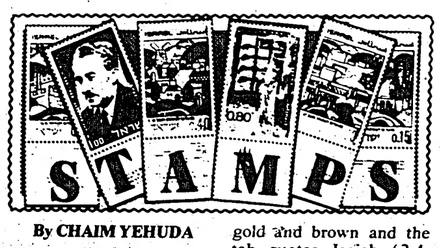
Although admitting economic difficulties, he feels that sometimes overcoming difficulties adds to the sense of achievement. Finally, Israel is a good place to raise a family. Children grow up more slowly there, perhaps because at 18, in military service, they must face life and death situations — a quick maturation process.



(Stephen Hershenhorn photo)

Tom Okker, the Jewish Dutchman and one of the most popular visiting athletes in Toronto, returned to capture the doubles title of World Championship Tennis tournament. His partner was Wojtek Fibak. Okker, who is on the comeback trail following a major injury, reached the singles semi-finals.

Stamps honor pioneers



By CHAIM YEHUDA

On Dec. 23, 1976, Israel issued a set of five stamps honoring the pioneers. These stamps have been attractively, perhaps uniquely, printed with gold as the background color. Designed elegantly by Zvi Narkiss of Tel Aviv, this set was printed by the government printers using the photogravure process and comb-perforate 13 x 14. Full sheets contain 15 stamps with five tabs.

The motifs of these stamps pertain to the development of the land. Each tab contains a relevant verse cited from the Scriptures in English and Hebrew.

The IL. 0.05 stamp is gold and brown and the tab quotes Isaiah 62:4, "...and your land shall no more be desolate..."; the IL. 0.10 value, which is gold and purple, refers to Isaiah 57:14, "...Build up, build up, prepare the way..."; and the IL. 0.60 stamp, printed in gold and reddish, also cites from Isaiah, this time 62:10, "...build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones..."

The tab on the next value, IL. 1.40, refers to Ezekiel 11:17, "...and I will give you the land of Israel." This important stamp is printed in gold and blue.

The high value stamp for IL. 1.80 includes the colors gold and green. The tab cites Second Chronicles 6:25, "...and bring them again to the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers."

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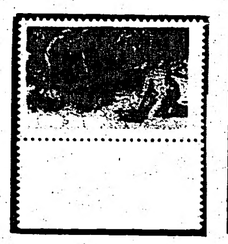

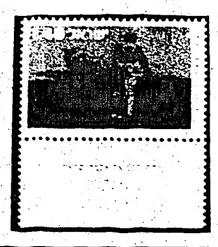

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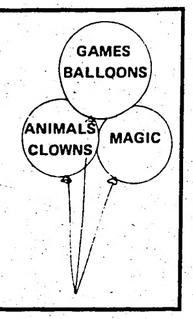

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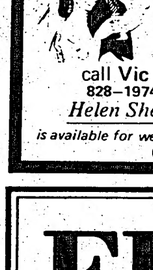

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ISRAELI FASHION POPULAR

By MARCIA KRETZMER

TEL AVIV —

The "Made in Israel" label has established itself as a synonym for high-quality fashion over the years. And this year's Israel Fashion Week, the 14th, broke all records as 112 exhibitors showed their fall/winter 1977/78 collections to over 700 buyers from North America, Europe and Japan at the Tel Aviv Hilton.

Purse-tightening at home has induced Israeli manufacturers to turn abroad increasingly for markets, and fashion exports now account for 10% of total exports, excluding diamonds and defence items. Last year Israel sold $192 million of wearing apparel, leatherwear, underwear and hosiery to 29 countries, and expects to better exports by an additional 20% this year.

Number one buyer last year was West Germany, which imported $30 million, followed by the U.S. with $26 million and the U.K. with $21 million. The agreement with the EEC countries and the cancelling of tariffs after July is expected to further increase exports to these countries.

Canada imported $7.2 million worth of Israeli fashion last year, and despite import quotas, the 65 Canadian buyers who were here to view the collections, were firmly expected to buy more Israeli fashion this year, within the limits of this framework.

"There is no question that there will be an increase in sales to Canada," said Morty Mogil, a former Torontonian, now export manager of Adam and Eve, which sells fine wool and cotton shirts and two-pieces to all the better stores in Canada.

There are no big surprises, innovations or shocks in this year's collection — unless, of course, one includes Kobe's rather outrageous offering from Textile House: a range of tunics and blouson dresses featuring genuine tallit stripes and fringes. Religious chic?

Otherwise, fashion seems to have stabilized itself world-wide, according to Yael Matalon, manager of the Fashion Center of the Israel Export Institute. Despite ephemeral attempts by Paris designers to bring back the mini, the emphasis all over the world is on superior cut, first-class materials, and an exciting range of colors.

On opening night, an infectiously high-spirited collection of models swayed, jounced, and frisked their way down the catwalk to rock music, showing a look-alive, punchy, and eminently wearable collection which ranged all the way from uncluttered '50s elegance, to saucy sportswear in bold, horizontal football stripes.

The ragtag, disreputable look of former seasons has disappeared, as has the '20s look and the '40s look. Inspiration is drawn this season from the running track and the ski-slope, the Sahara desert, and the lady-like expensive and ultra-sophisticated look of the '50s.

The hooded windbreaker look is number one winner for men, women and children. Alaska interprets it in wet-look coveralls in metallic shades, and it appears in cosy velour by Papco, and soft-textured cotton by Rikma. Another big item is the tunic, sometimes teamed with knickerbockers, sometimes topping a slit-sided, straight skirt. Beged-Or showed a tunic in soft, smudgy, rust-colored suede, and Aled and Elanit had jersey knit versions in natural colors, offset by coral, Prussian blue, or shocking pink.

Cowl necks, dolman sleeves and blouson tops were ubiquitous. Skirts end just below the knee or at mid-calf, and the long skirt is retreating for both day and night wear. Not many pants were in evidence — not counting jeans overalls — except for pull-on knickerbockers in jersey or velour, and divided skirts in corduroy or leather. Pants were gathered into elasticated bands at the ankle, or tucked into calf-high, high-heeled boots.

Use of color was adventurous and diversified, with natural beiges, and Prussian blue well to the fore. The Mediterranean colors and bold patterning which buyers have come to expect from Israeli designers were much in evidence. Rikma's Rojy Ben Joseph showed Bedouin-style caftans in hot, earthy colors of burnt umber, magenta, and electric blue, which will cost about $60 in the stores.

Another big-name Israeli designer, Gideon Oberson, made a smashing impression with the little black dress-to-kill, in fine wool crepe accented with cream or gold, and some madly exclusive day dresses in soft, white wool — prices around $250.

There were delectable, easy-care shirts and coordinates from Niba for men and women, in sheer voile and polyamide. They came in black and white geometric designs, country prints, and ravishing splashy floral designs. Prices ranged from $75 to $200.

Children's clothes are expected to make greater sales to Canadian purchasers this year. Tip Top, Israel's largest factory for infants' wear, makes exceptionally good-quality velours, frottes and knits in lollipop colors, as well as navy blue and chocolate brown for the sophisticated baby. There were also miniature velour windbreakers with hoods for the sporting baby.

Showing interest in the Jadoli collection of leather coats was Isadore Black of Peterborough, who imports about $100,000 of Israeli fashions annually. Jadoli was showing strikingly well-cut, cleverly-seamed trench coats in sumptuous suedes and smooth calfs, in colors you could practically eat: chocolate brown, deep cream, pistachio green and Prussian blue. Coats were slit-backed, tie-belted, occasionally cuffed, and ended at mid-calf.

It was the Gottex swimwear collection which drew gasps from buyers, proving itself yet again as the widest-selling item in the Israeli fashion repertoire. Gottex sells to 52 countries, as against the 29-country average of other Israeli fashion items.

Strapless bikinis and one-piece swimsuits with camisole tops and plunging backs are the big items this year at Gottex. Their apres-swim cover-ups in sheer voile, wide-mesh net and floating banlon have to be seen to be believed. Taking off into a world of fantasy, with hummingbird colors, there are harem pyjamas, Greek draperies, gypsy shawls, hooded burnouses and strapless sarongs, to cover your retreat from pool or sea.

From Elanit comes this short-sleeved dress with striped, giant golf sweater and this ensemble with harem pants. Both these designs are of Cashmirit.

For the little women and young gentlemen are these childrens clothes by Israeli firm of Ayala Designs.

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Arts

Baroque lutenist Aaron Skitri

Mastery of the lute displayed by Skitri

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By RICK KARDONNE

A capacity audience at St. Lawrence Centre Town Hall cheered baroque lutenist Aaron Skitri as he concluded his recent major concert with an emotionally sensitive virtuoso performance of Bach's **Fugue in G Minor**.

Little wonder that this reception was so justly deserved, for this familiar piece is a difficult work on any string instrument and Skitri is one of the few performers anywhere who can play it with any sense of command.

Much more impressive than the excellent audience reception was the significance of the program itself: a rare and extremely enlightening historical study of the evolution of Baroque music in the French and German spheres on the instrument which was the major musical vehicle throughout Europe and the Mediterranean.

This concert was as much the culmination of a major scholarly effort by Skitri to revive the lute for today's times as it was an excellent display of technical and artistic mastery of the instrument.

Aaron Skitri performed on four lutes, each representing a successive period in the evolution of the instrument. The Renaissance lute sounded sweet and soft, very soft in such a large hall.

The music, though written by the early French composers Leroy and Ateignant, resembled the Elizabethan-style troubador minor-key folksongs.

On the Baroque lute, which has considerably more range, both of notes and of volume, he performed early French polyphonic suites which were the basic stylistic springboards from which Bach proceeded, one generation later.

And, on the theorbo, a considerably larger instrument with a greater resonance and wide range, he performed pieces by Robert de Visee which were of much freer style, consisting of improvisational semi-liturgical-type passages in both the major and minor keys.

I see many exciting contemporary-style possibilities for the theorbo, and total credit for its rebirth after 250 years of obscurity goes to Aaron Skitri.

Despite the great evolutionary-historical interest presented by his performances of the French Baroque music, the German Baroque music he played in the second half of the concert gave Skitri considerably greater opportunities to expose his excellent technical and emotive-interpretative abilities. The music of Silvius Leopold Weiss and Johannes Sebastian Bach represents Baroque polyphony at its most advanced and intricate form.

The fugue, the crowning glory of Baroque music, is distinctly the imprint of Bach's individual genius. Therefore, although the entire concert was extremely interesting, especially the rarely-heard de Visee "free-flow" pieces, it was entirely fitting that the evening climax with the more familiar Bach.

Although Baroque lute concerts have become quite frequent in Paris and to a lesser extent in London, they have not, up until now, caught on on this side of the ocean.

In fact, Skitri's Carnegie Hall recital almost a year ago was one of the very few Baroque solo string concerts New York has seen in a very long time. Not only is he the ideal person to re-introduce the lute to the serious music scene as far as European Baroque music goes; but this performer, who comes from a cultured Sephardic Jewish family originally from Egypt, would be an ideal vehicle for the rebirth of Ladino and other Mediterranean Sephardic classical music styles.

Writer chills his audiences

By JENIVA BERGER

Israel Horovitz is a New York Jewish playwright who has chilled audiences in the past with his razor edge dramas that put chinks in our armor of social consciousness.

Plays like **The Indian Wants The Bronx**, which dealt with a senseless and inhuman torture of an East Indian (how timely can you get?), and **Rats**, with its humanlike rodents attacking a Harlem tenement baby, pointed up Horovitz's passion for outlining the immoralities of urban life with brutal honesty.

The Primary English Class, being given its Canadian premiere by The Open Circle Theatre, is a blessed relief from Horovitz's earlier works. True, it deals with racism, but only after a fashion, and it's by and large a comedy which clearly aims to entertain even with a serious streak ribboning through it.

The English class, in this case, is very primary; in fact, none of the new immigrants, all from different countries, speaks a word of English. The only common language they do discover after their first meeting together is a mutual dependency and trust.

As it turns out, it's their most important lesson, since their kooky English teacher, who's a bit of a bumblehead, insists on teaching them, against all logic, strictly from the book.

Her meaningless manoeuvres include a demonstration of medieval English as well as an introduction to the word 'English' itself by paralleling it with 'perish'. The latter, a neat bit of metaphor, is just about what the hapless students do in her class.

The teacher, Miss Debbie Watsba, is a sexually frustrated Miss Lonelyhearts whose wobbly rapport with her students disintegrates to the point of her tagging them with the stereotyped Archie Bunker slurs.

Fortunately, the class doesn't understand her, but they do comprehend her nuttiness and one by one leave, to face the insanities outside the school door rather than another evening with Watsba.

Director Ray Whelan searched high and wide to find a suitable combination of ethnic actors who knew their first language fluently. (There is simultaneous translation, by the way, provided crisply and unobtrusively by Mike Macina.)

The performances are absolutely delightful, and, for each of the characters, Whelan has captured some signature of their background which colors their world and enhances ours.

Had Horovitz made his teacher a trifle more human, he might have balanced his two-acter somewhat better. But Debbie Watsba comes across too crazy and too insensitive to allow us to sympathize with her tragic flaws which eventually erupt.

But this production of **The Primary English Class** is often gloriously funny, warm and rewarding. Not a bad chaser for winter's wryness.

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The **Primary English Class** *is held over till March 13. Small wonder! Open Circle's production of* **Israel Horovitz'** *laugh-laden comedy is an absolute delight, and one of the few plays to which you can happily take the children. See it Tues.–Fri., 8:30 p.m., Sat. 6 & 9:30 p.m., Sun. 7 p.m. plus a 2:30 pay-what-you-can matinee. Call for reservations & prices* **967–6584.** *At the* **New Theatre, 736 Bathurst St.,** *(south of Bloor).*

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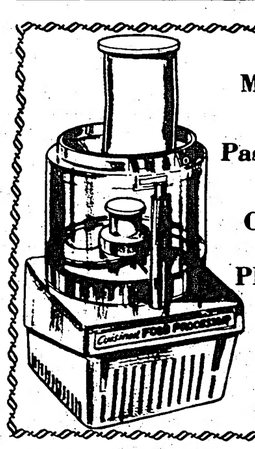
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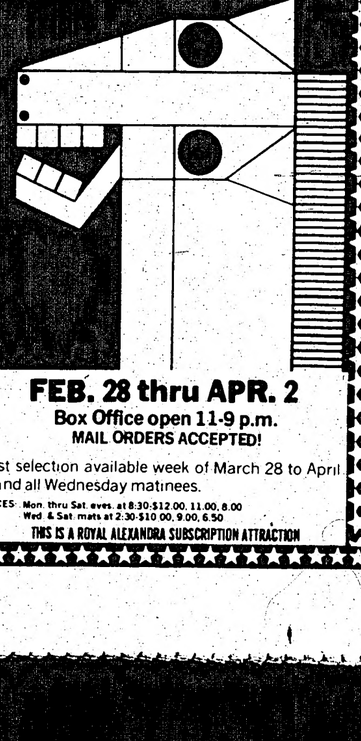
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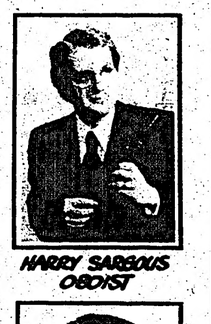
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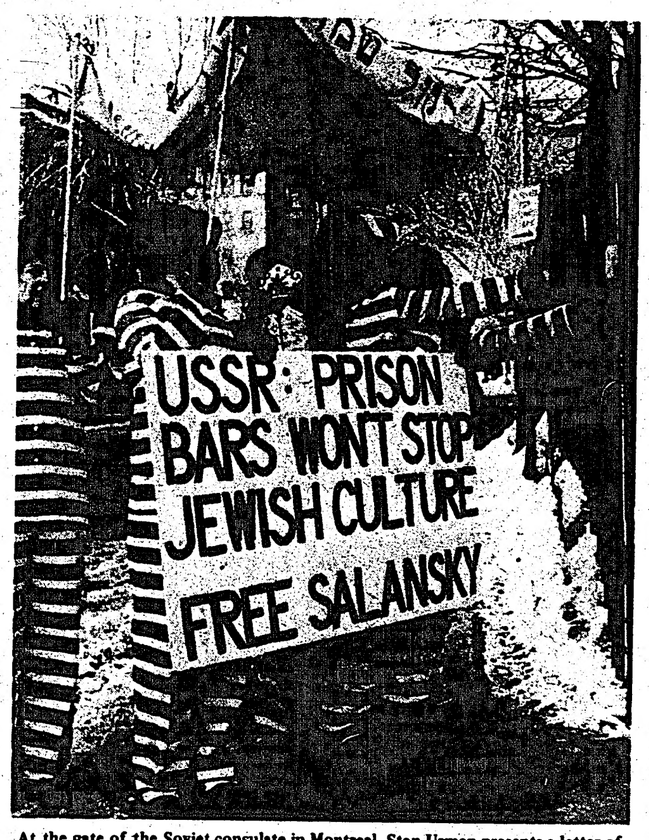

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Rabbis **Mordecai Zeitz** and **Howard Joseph** of Congregation Beth Tikvah and the Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue, respectively, will be going to Finland in late April or May to perform conversions on 50 to 60 children born of Jewish fathers and Christian mothers. By a Finnish law passed five years ago, all citizens are entered into the government's civil registry according to their paternal ethnicity, contrary to Jewish Halacha. The local rabbi asked World Jewish Congress Small Communities Commission Chairman **Lavy Becker** on the latter's tour of Scandinavia in November for help in the conversions.

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MAYOR SAM LODGE

B'nai B'rith Eastern Region Director **Murray Simons** announced that a new lodge, to be called the **Samuel Moskovitch** Memorial Lodge in honor of the popular late mayor of Cote St. Luc, is being organized. Simons hopes the 24th Quebec lodge will be ready for its charter in a year's time.

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JPL'S GIFT

A literary evening in tribute to the works of Nobel Prize-winning author **Saul Bellow** is scheduled for March 5 at the Jewish Public Library at 8:30 p.m.

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2-PART SERIES

Rabbi David Hartman of Jerusalem will deliver a two-part lecture series at Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem. The first lecture, "The Individual and the Community," is March 7 and the second, "The Community," March 9. Both will begin at 8:30 p.m.

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POLITICAL SERIES

"Learn to be a Part of, Not Apart from the Political System" is the theme of a five-part lecture series on politics organized in conjunction with the Women's Federation of AJCS, the Federation des Femmes du Quebec and College Bois-de-Boulogne. **Christiane Bacave** of CEGEP Lionel-Groulx will act as resource person for the lectures set for March 3, 17, 24 and April 7, 21 at 9:30 a.m. at Cummings House.

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AJCS TRANSLATOR

Anne-Laure Levain, a former French information director in the public relations department of the Consulate General of Israel, has joined the AJCS staff as its official translator. Born in Berlin, Mrs. Levain was a member of a Belgian resistance group during World War II and later escaped to Switzerland.

Legal advice on rising rents provided by citizens group

By MEL SOLMAN

MONTREAL — Over 200 Cote des Neiges area apartment dwellers received much more than just sympathy when they dropped by the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue recently to complain about drastic rent increases. Sound legal advice was available as well.

Thanks to Project Genesis, a private citizens' rights group, there were 16 lawyers in attendance, all well-versed in the workings of the Quebec Rental Control Board. Ten other citizens, with training in the laws controlling rent, also participated. Eight of the 10 were senior citizens.

Although there were some legal questions about eviction and inadequate maintenance, the majority of tenants there had just received notices for sizeable May rent increases. With a little help from the lawyers and assistants, most were able to complete the necessary forms petitioning the provincial government against such increases.

A major problem, especially among the elderly tenants, continues to be a genuine fear of tangling with government bureaucracy. Most suffer the unjust rent increases in silence. Many others are simply unaware of the legal measures at their disposal.

One elderly gentleman was living in a building which had been sold four times in the past year. With each new owner, there came a personal visit, strong intimidation, and another hefty rent hike. Through the service provided by Project Genesis, he is now fighting the increases demanded by the fourth owner.

Among its other projects are outreach work to help the sick and elderly and the establishment of Block Parents, that is, specific places for children to stay should they be followed or molested on their way home.

Project Genesis was begun over 18 months ago primarily as an organizing mechanism for the Jewish poor of the Snowdon-Cote des Neiges area.

At that time, project organizer Jim Torcyzner felt that there were many more Jewish poor than the established social organizations cared to admit.

"The community was being negligent," he said, "not intentionally, but by dealing with the Jewish poor in the same manner as when the Jewish community was much smaller and the rich and poor mixed more easily."

According to a recent study in which Torcyzner himself participated, there are about 20,000 Jewish poor in Montreal, many of whom are victimized by landlords.

"Unfortunately, many of these landlords are members of our own community," he noted.

"We have taken on many of these landlords and embarrassed them in their own homes with hard evidence of their actions." Torcyzner later told The Canadian Jewish News that since the clinic, his telephone "hasn't stopped ringing" with calls from people who could not attend.

Still operating on solely a volunteer basis, Project Genesis receives administrative and some financial aid from the McGill School of Social Work, where Torcyzner teaches. The group was recently provided with space at the Snowdon branch of the YM-YWHA for its weekly meetings.

The executive of Project Genesis is currently participating in a joint task force with Allied Jewish Community Services and is hopeful that a recommendation for funding will soon be forthcoming. Oscar Respitz is chairman of the task force.

Quebec in perspective

IN MY VIEW
By CHARLES LAZARUS

PARADISE ISLAND, NASSAU —

During this current annual visit of ours to Paradise, a few things have become abundantly clear, when you view the situation in Quebec (and Jewish concerns about the situation in Quebec) from the perspective of the balmy trade winds and distance shortened miraculously by an Air Canada DC-8 or DC-9.

First is the almost can't-wait-to-tell-you assurance that "we're not going anywhere," (that is, leaving Quebec) from a few well-known Montreal figures I've encountered at the Loews Paradise Island Hotel lobby and at the Brittania Beach Hotel swimming pool.

One man, a prominent lawyer, said he's now more convinced that Rene Levesque's impact and that of the separatist movement have weakened already, "simply because of foolish talk by him and his ministers, and forcing the confrontation with Pierre Trudeau as head of the anti-separatist forces, long before it was necessary.

"I think the best thing that could have happened in this whole, long-standing separatist crisis, was the Nov. 15 victory of the PQ. Now Rene will really have to fight to survive politically...."

Another man, well-known in the textile business, said he's not unduly apprehensive because the confrontation finds Levesque unprepared, "but what I'm really worried about is the effect on immigration."

Fair enough, I thought, trying to persuade my conscience that perhaps the "let's run" syndrome has been exaggerated. After all, in the absence of any Canadian newspapers, I'm forced to look for Canadian (or, more specifically, Quebec) news in such journals as the New York Times, the New York Daily News and the Mami Herald, and since I haven't seen much of anything about Rene Levesque and Canada coming apart in the week that I've been here, things can't be that bad!

To put it another way:

We tend to get very myopic at home, surrounded and inundated every waking munute by the constant barrage of words and warning by Rene and his ministers singing a tune very different from that which pulled votes — and certainly not necessarily separatist votes — their way before the election.

So people get nervous and scared and fidgety about the future of Canada and Quebec.

Out here, the Quebec situation is out of sight but certainly not out of mind.

There is hardly extensive reporting in the media about another piece of Confederation being chipped away and there's certainly no incentive to pull yourself away from Preston Robert Tisch's swimming pool under the Bahamian sun to call home and find out how things are going.

In fact, about the only time the subject of Quebec separatism surfaces around here is when friendly Americans — mostly New Yorkers and New Englanders — hear you're from Quebec, begin raving about Montreal, Expo 67, Westmount Square, Place Ville Marie and Old Montreal, and asking "why couldn't we be so lucky to have a mayor like you have. What's his name? That's right, Drapeau. Now there's a mayor who's done something for his city!"

Indeed he has, and if not everyone agrees that what he's done is necessarily the right thing, well that's hardly a subject in which I'm likely to involve our friendly American neighbors.

Conservative Judaism

NEW YORK — **Conservative Judaism and Jewish Law**, the first book devoted entirely to the attitude of Conservative Judaism to Jewish law, will be published this spring by the Rabbinical Assembly, it was announced by Rabbi Stanley Rabinowitz of Washington, the president of the 1,000-member organization of Conservative rabbis.

Edited by Rabbi Seymour Siegel, chairman of the Rabbinical Assembly's Committee on Jewish Law and Standards and professor of theology and ethics at the Jewish Theological Seminary, it contains essays by 18 leading Conservative scholars.

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Travel

San Antonio lives up to its name

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

SAN ANTONIO, Texas — San Antonio, deep within the heart of all Texans as the city of the Alamo, lives up to its name as one of America's four unique cities. It was so labelled by humorist Will Rogers more than 40 years ago along with New Orleans, Boston and San Francisco.

Today, more than ever, the city proves the validity of Rogers' description.

Now more accessible, because of recently inaugurated direct air service to the Lone Star State from Toronto and Montreal, more and more Canadians are visiting the southwest Texas city, site of an unusual number of attractions.

Above all else, San Antonio is the home of the Alamo, situated in the centre of the city. To many tourists, the Alamo appears small because of the larger-than-life legend that surrounds the mission. Known as the Cradle of Texas Liberty, it was originally the town's first mission in the 18th century.

In 1838, the murder of all 188 defenders of the Alamo, including Col. Travis, Jim Bowie and Davey Crockett, by 4,000 attackers spurred Texans later to win independence from Mexico.

What remains today, in a restored state, is the chapel and barracks. Inside is a museum, a scale model, audio-visual histories, paintings and individual stories of the defenders and a souvenir shop with everything from Alamo bibs to pillow tops. The Alamo admission is free and well worth a couple of hours, although it is crowded at all times.

If that is the city's main attraction, its charm comes from the river which winds through the downtown area. The city, about 50 years ago, developed it into a major attraction, building river walks, foot bridges, theatres and protective flood gates along the river known as Paseo del Rio.

Today, you can take a water taxi or stroll down the river bank lined with trees and shrubbery. The downtown features a bevy of outdoor restaurants and entertainment spots with prices surprisingly low for a popular tourist area.

Just off the Paseo del Rio are the city's major hotels — the Hilton and the old-world charm of Menger and St. Anthony, and Hemisfair, site of the 1968 world's fair.

A stroll over to the site shows they have similar post-fair problems as Montreal's Expo 67. Much of the space is empty, though there are some tourist attractions such as the 750-foot Tower of the Americas (a small fry compared to Toronto's CN Tower) and the Institute of Texas Cultures, a museum displaying in an entertaining fashion the contributions made by 26 cultures, including Jews, to the state.

There are displays of artifacts, films, slide shows and special demonstrations throughout the very large exhibit floor. The institute is more than a dry museum; it's a skillfully put-together blend of education and entertainment. And admission is free. Nearby is the city arena and convention centre, the Hall of Texas History and the Mexican-American Cultural Exchange Institute.

More than half of the city's population of about 800,000 is of Mexican origin. In the older section of the city is the Mexican market and a restaurant (Mi Terra) with about the tastiest Mexican-style food you've ever eaten.

Some of the city's other unique attractions are:

— the Hertzberg Circus Collection, a marvellous exhibition of circus memorabilia, including Tom Thumb's carriage and posters from the mid 19th century;

— San Antonio Zoo, an open-moated zoological garden such as Toronto's, but where you can see most of the animals and won't get exhausted by walking for miles;

— Spanish Mission Trail, the city's four other missions besides the Alamo. San Antonio's history is deeply rooted in its missions, some restored and some just about as they were 200 years ago, and

— The Lone Star (a Texas beer company) collection of exhibits including the Hall of Feathers, the Boars Nest (a collection of rifles, shotguns and prized hunting trophies), Hall of Fins, the Buckhorn Bar and, above all, the Hall of Horns featuring Old Tex, the world record Longhorn steer with horns 105 inches from tip to tip.

Tourism is the city's largest industry after the military; San Antonio is home to five bases. Its downtown looks like something out of the '50s with little new development. The municipality is trying to bring people back to living in and near the downtown. As American cities go, the streets at night are relatively safe.

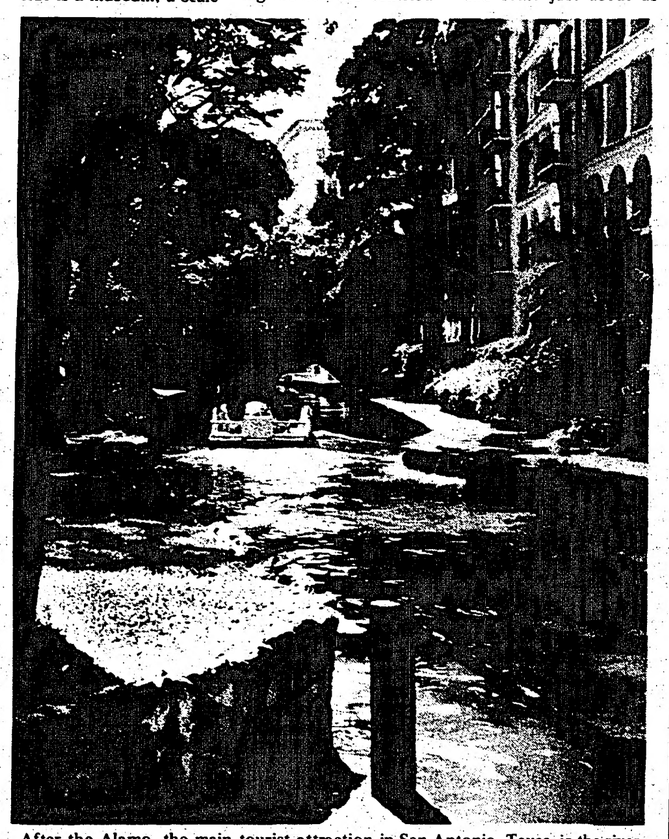
The city has a Jewish population of about 7,000, says E. Jay Cassel, producer of the multi-screen show, **Remember the Alamo**, right across the street from the historic spot. There are three synagogues of each of Judaism's branches. Temple Emanu-el, from the outside, is one of the most beautiful structures in the city.

San Antonio's Jewish life revolves about the community centre building. As in most North American cities, Jews are involved in the whole spectrum of occupations, especially in the retail business and the professions such as lawyers, doctors and accountants.

Cassel, like many Texans, expects many more Canadian visitors "because of Florida being worn out as a destination."

Don't bring your bathing suits to San Antonio in mid-winter. However, by late winter and early spring, it's time to take the plunge. The average annual temperature is 68.8 Fahrenheit and the summers do get hot.

Another part of the Texas charm is the friendliness of the people. It took this big city Canadian a couple of days to get used to all those "howdies" and "howaryous". And the prices of most commodities compared to those back home are a delightful eye-opener.



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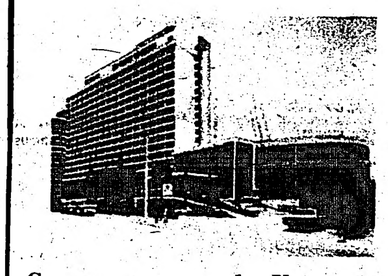
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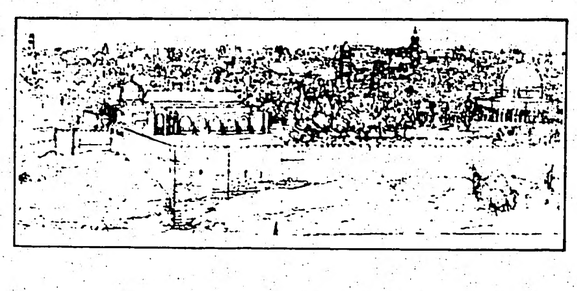
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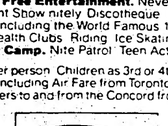
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By CHARLES LAZARUS

I wish I could remember her name.

She was something of a legend, not too many years ago, and every time the little airplane would practically fly by our window of the Tel Aviv Hilton, Riphke and I would call out as if by pre-arranged signal, "There she goes — again!"

"She" was the pilot of that little plane — the name of the lady has long skipped my memory — whose job it was to ferry brave tourists, general machers and balebahtim by the handful, to the deep reaches of the Negev and other parts of the country, to see where their money was being spent on the social and industrial projects of the young state of Israel.

I recall those not-quite-pioneer days with a smile as I pick up a very colorful brochure containing information about the Arkia Israel Inland Airlines Ltd., which today, using a fleet of sophisticated turboprop airplanes, each carrying, I think, approximately 40 passengers.

Arkia's "flight paths," according to the brochure, links such points as Tel Aviv — served by Ben Gurion International, where El Al and all the major carriers land their jets and superjets — Jerusalem, Rosh Pinah, Beersheba, Sde-Boker, Eilat, Mount Sinai and Sharm El Sheikh at the tip of the Sinai Peninsula.

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The Arkia brochure, in fact, lists a number of all-inclusive tours of up to four days, the price including everything — fare, bed and board, tours and the like.

In the summer of 1975, Riphke and I took advantage of the Arkia service in Israel, and the three-day excursion we took was typical of the kind of tours available on this domestic service.

To start with, let me say that Arkia's terminal, separate from the main international terminal at Ben Gurion Airport, is clean, efficient, air-conditioned and even has a neat little restaurant where you can enjoy a modestly-priced breakfast because the flights to southern Israel usually leave in the morning, between seven and eight — at least that's the way it was then.

After extensive security checks, we boarded the plane, the passengers divided perhaps half tourists and half Israelis (including some Bedouins in the colorful togas) and our first stop approximately 45 minutes away, as far as I can recall, was the landing strip smack amid the Sinai peaks in order to board a bus for a tour of the Santa Katarina monastery, whose history goes far back into the last century.

The bus ride was exciting, if not exactly as comfortable as it would be on the 401 or the Laurentian Autoroute, but this emotional step back into the biblical Sinai was an experience not easily forgotten.

Back to the Arkia plane waiting for us, another short flight took us to Sharm El-Sheikh, which had developed remarkably with a modern, air-conditioned restaurant, overnight accommodations for anyone wanting them (we didn't) and sea and beach, unbelievable in its setting and quality.

The bus ride back from Sharm-el-Sheikh to the Ophir airport took us by the heart of the Sinai where the great battles were fought in the Six Day War — Egyptian gun emplacements, trenches and sand bags still on view, and the terminal building modern and comfortable compared to the shack I remember when first visiting there in 1968.

Another short Arkia flight, perhaps 20 minutes, took us to Eilat, our final destination in southern Israel.

There we checked in that evening at the new Laromme Hotel — it was relatively new then — which is operated by an El Al spin-off company, and there we stayed all of the following day, and on the morning of the third day it was back to Tel Aviv on Arkia's turboprop, a flight of perhaps 40 minutes.

Cruise ships off to Bahamas

MIAMI —

More than a dozen cruise ships will sail from the Port of Miami this spring on voyages to the Bahamas, Caribbean and South America.

Cruises ranging from three nights to two weeks are offered by as many as 14 ships operated by seven lines.

Ports in the Bahamas, Puerto Rico, Hispanola (Dominican Republic and Haiti), Virgin Islands, Antilles, Jamaica, Venezuela, Colombia, Mexico and Central America are all within reach of a ship departing from the Port of Miami.

Three-night cruises to Nassau departing Fridays and four-night cruises to Nassau and Freeport departing Mondays are very popular with visitors who have just a few days to get a taste of shipboard life.

Costa Line's Flavia and Eastern Steamship's Emerald Seas both offer three and four-night cruises ranging from $145-up for three nights and $175-up for four nights. The Emerald Seas is of Panamanian registry and Flavia is Italian.

Five cruise lines and nine ships offer one-week voyages to a variety of ports from as little as $350.

Carnival Cruise Lines features the Carnivale sailing each Saturday, except May, to San Juan, St. Thomas and St. Maarten, and the Mardi Gras departing Sundays for Nassau, San Juan and St. Thomas. Carnival ships are Panamanian registered.

Commodore Cruise Line's Boheme leaves the Port of Miami every Saturday for Puerto Plata, St. Thomas, San Juan and Cap Haitien, and her sister ship, Caribe, departs each Saturday for Montego Bay, Port-au-Prince, Puerto Plata and Freeport. Ships are registered in West Germany.

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Royal Caribbean Cruise Line, a Norwegian flag carrier, operates the Song of Norway out of Miami each Saturday to Puerto Plata, San Juan and St. Thomas.

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The Monarch Star sails for Port-au-Prince, Cartegena, Aruba, Curacao, La Guaira (Caracas), Grenada, Martinique, St. Maarten and St. Thomas every other Sunday. Last regular spring sailing is April 3 with special cruises on April 17 and 29.

El Al's long-term development plans approved by board

TEL AVIV —

El Al's board of directors, in the presence of Transport Minister Gad Yacobi, has approved El Al's long-term development plans for the years 1977 to 1983.

The airline has plans to acquire one 747F for delivery during winter 1977, one 747C in 1978, one 747C in 1980 and one 747C in 1982.

The plan for purchasing the first two aircraft, involving an investment of approximately $90 million, will be submitted for final approval to the government.

The total investment in the proposed plan will amount to approximately $380 million for aircraft, extra engines, spare parts, ground equipment and facilities.

This marks a big step forward in the continuing development of El Al, enabling the company to enlarge its capacity for transporting of cargo as well as passengers.

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Expensive synagogues, lavish programs

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Solel Congregation Rabbi Larry Englander says a more equitable distribution of funds is warranted, in light of the synagogue's role in counselling and education. "It's an injustice that synagogues are not recognized as bona fide schools."

Shaarei Tefillah administrator Levy Ezer argues that community funds should support synagogues because of the services they provide in adult education classes, open to the public.

In the area of congregational school financing, the Reform community toyed with the idea of a joint academy to cut costs and the Conservative movement instituted an educational fund for long-range budgeting.

"It's not realistic for each congregation to look after congregational schools individually," says Beth Tzedec board chairman Bernard Dales. "there is a duplication in overhead, costs and financing." But such an amalgamation has not been realized, largely because of ideological differences and competing loyalties between synagogues.

At one point, Adath Israel and B'nai Israel Beth David considered merging their congregational schools because of budget considerations and rejected the idea. The synagogues favored the advantages of independent jurisdiction.

Recommendations to finance congregational schools were made by the Study Committee on Jewish Education. "Nobody is arguing the merit (of such a plan)," explains Board of Jewish Education Rabbi Irwin Witty, "but there are so many competing needs and demands for the dollars." Roughly 4,000 students are enrolled in congregational schools.

Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel, chairman of the Rabbinical Assembly, Ontario Region, estimates that the financial blow to synagogues "is not so severe yet. But I foresee some stage where rising costs will catch up with us." Embryonic synagogues may not be viable dollar-wise, he adds.

He remarks there has not been sufficient in-depth planning, nor a clear approach to fundraising by the community in the area of synagogue financing.

Reflecting on the future, Rabbi Henry Hoschander, president of the Rabbinical Council of Canada, Ontario Region, offered a prognosis. "Synagogues will never be as large," he says, and the demands of small outlying congregations will not be that great. Some will not hire rabbis or cantors because of budget strictures, he notes.

On the apparent decentralization of synagogues, geographically, in the city, he remarks of recent trends: "There is no longer a Jewish gilded ghetto along Bathurst Street."

Toronto UJA Campaign Chairman Joe Berman emphasizes a point to Major Yona Gazit and Rachel Gazit at an informal evening for UJA chairmen at the Berman home. Maj. Gazit spoke to a number of meetings.

Don't be fooled, warns major

TORONTO — A visiting Israeli officer warned Toronto Jews not to be fooled by the relatively calm atmosphere in the Middle East at the present time.

Major Yona Gazit, director of the public relations office of the Israel Defence Force, arrived in Toronto last week for a 10 day round of speaking engagements on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal campaign.

"The Yom Kippur War has taught us a very costly lesson," he said. "We must always be on the alert, no matter how tranquil prevailing conditions may seem on the surface. The PLO has changed tactics, not strategy."

Major Gazit was referring to the "new stance" of the PLO during the visit to the Middle East of the U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.

He addressed 10 UJA meetings and visited several Hebrew schools during his Toronto stay.

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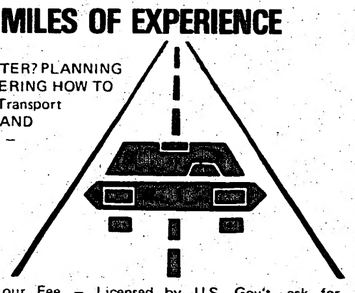
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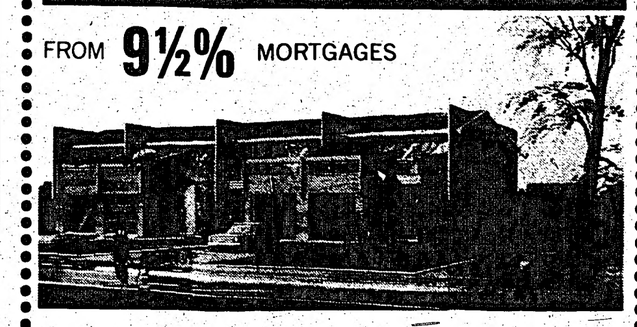
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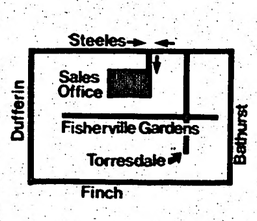

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Today's Singles (23-43) Disco Derby, Sunday, Feb. 27, 8:15 p.m. Mr. Inspiration — Dee Jay. **North Toronto Memorial Gardens Hall** at 180 Eglinton Ave. W., on Eglinton Park between Avenue Rd. and Yonge, just in front of the ice-skating rink. **Plenty of parking.** Admission $3.00. 25

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HELP WANTED

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Exquisite home. 47 Sunnycrest, next to Rockford. About 2,500 sq. ft. inside, air-conditioning, swimming pool, 4 bedrooms & den. Must sell. Call 667-8865. 25

51 Palm Drive
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Beautiful side split, super location, 3-4 bedrooms, large family and rec rooms, central air conditioning, double garage. $145,000. 484-7775 or 633-2894. 25

Private Sale
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Bathurst-Finch
Dr's Residence
Luxury executive 5 bedroom backsplit. Natural stone front, rosewood-marble-vestibule, teak den, recessed walnut panelled family room with built-in bookcases, modern walnut kitchen, finished teak rec rm. with fireplace, built-in wet bar, additional kitchen, open oak staircase, central electric heating, water-cooled carrier central air-conditioner, electro-static air cleaner, cedar closet, double garage. Close to synagogues and associated Hebrew schools. 223-4551. 25

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Ltd. Realtor
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Luxurious Pool
$149,900. Reduced to sell. This gracious 4-bedroom beauty in the Denlow area has every conceivable feature for today's lifestyle, including main floor family room with fieldstone fireplace, spacious and inviting entrance hall with spiral staircase. Luxurious 20' x 40' Jacuzzi in-ground pool. Choice lot overlooking parkland. Mr. Fisher, 789-3473.
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TAL-RAM REAL ESTATE LTD

Lower Cedarvale Chiltern Hill Rd.
$136,500. First time offered. Most charming 2 storey, 4 bedroom, 4 washroom home. Featuring centre hall styling, ultra-kitchen with breakfast area, main floor panelled library and powder room. Central air, double garage, finished rec room. Tastefully decorated throughout — a pleasure to present. Renee Bald, 789-4325.

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Upper Village
$155,000. Comfortable, spacious family home. Centre hall plan, library and powder room on main. 4 lovely bedrooms, 4 washrooms, fabulous basement. Sparkling condition. Renee Bald, 789-4325.

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Stone Tudor — Ravine Lower Village
$189,000. On a secluded and quiet street with a country feeling. Magnificent, fully-panelled reception hall and main floor den. 4 good bedrooms on 2nd, help's quarters on 3rd. 3 bathrooms, powder room and fully panelled rec room. Terrace overlooking wooded pie-shaped garden. Meeting your individual priorities. Marion Davis, 789-4325.

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Lower Village — Elegance
$315,000. Unveiling the beauty of tradition. Most interesting layout, large rooms. Dream kitchen — fully modernized with latest equipment. 5-6 bedrooms, 6 washrooms (4 ensuite), den, family room, billiard room. Breathtaking master wing. Leaded windows, stained oak floors and panelling, semi-cathedral ceilings with cedar applications, artistic mouldings, etc etc etc. Rena Tsur, 789-4325 or 789-2979.

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Forest Hill — Modern
$325,000. Uncompromising workmanship in pursuit of quality — a home that offers the ultimate in luxuries. Carefully proportioned oversized rooms throughout. Breathtaking reception room, main floor family room, super centre island kitchen, library, 5 bedrooms, 5 washrooms, sensational master suite. Rock garden has waterfall. Rena Tsur, 789-4325 or 789-2979.

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Bathurst & Finch Blue Forest Dr.
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Open House Sun. 2-4:30 Bathurst-Glencairn
228 Coldstream Ave. 4 bdrm executive on 200' scenic lot, 3 w/o's, 3 baths, fireplace, finished lower level, garage, reduced $10,000. Vendor takes back mtge. View with Rose Goldhar, 661-3640.

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3 Bedroom Condominium Yonge-Steeles. Immaculate unit in well-managed building. Central air appliances, fantastic view, all facilities.

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Townhouse — Steal
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LUNGERMAN

Lower Village
$94,500. Tudor style 2 storey, 3 bedroom residence, completely renovated. Located on a dead-end street near Lonsdale & Spadina. Ideal home for the young at heart. Realistically priced to sell; vendor has bought. View with Allen Tobe, 484-9111 or 781-1123.

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Forest Hill Luxury Townhomes
$143,500. Brand new detached townhomes uniquely designed, "open area". 3 bedrooms, main floor den, fireplace in living room, 2 walkouts, lounge area, garage. Call Esther Axelrod, 484-9111 or 782-7877.

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The Royal Trust Company Realtor

Don Mills-Steeles
8¼% mtge. Price $67,900. 2-storey, 4 bdrm, garage, brdlm, drapes. Mrs. Benegbi, 635-1170.

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Bathurst No. of YMHA
$50,000 down. Custom 4 bdrm, 4 baths, elegant & spacious living & dining rms. W/o from kitchen to pool-size lot. Many extras. Mrs. Eidlitz, 635-1170.

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Finch & Bathurst
$69,900. 4 bdrms, brdlm, appliances. Hurry! Mrs. M. Edelstein, 635-1170.

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Bathurst-Sheppard
$68,000. Solid brick bungalow. All large rms. Renovated. Garage, immed. poss. Mr. Lissog, 961-4444.

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Forest Hills Condo
$58,900. Fully brdlms, drapes, appliances, 2 baths, powder rm, all amenities. Vendor bought. Mrs. Miko, 961-4444.

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Executive Townhouse
Bayview Place. $83,000. Exquisite 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 fireplaces, lovely family room, sun deck off master suite, central air. Excellent 10% financing. Tastefully decorated and sparkling clean.

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Bathurst & York Downs Bungalow
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Bathurst-Finch Custom New Homes!
3 magnificent backsplits on beautiful street. Over 2500 sq. ft. Outstanding value! Close to all amenities. Ruth Trachter, 633-7777.

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Eglinton-Bathurst 4 Bedroom — 2 Storey
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Vendor will take back open mortgage on this elegant sidesplit with 20' family room, good size kitchen with walkout, completely furnished lower level. Quiet area, Bathurst-Steeles. Call Sarah Rovert, 226-3333, 221-6507.

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Reduced — Must Sell
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Leslie & Finch
$53,900. 6 room townhouse with appliances, attached private garage, 2 baths. A low down-payment will buy. Howard Sud, 630-7800. Lebow Realty Ltd.

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Dellbank Rd. — Detached Near Maxwell & Overbrooke
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$114,900. Immaculate 7 room sidesplit with 3 washrooms & double garage. All appliances. $20,000 down! Call Sheila Iseman, 630-7800. Lebow Realty Ltd.

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Spectacular lot, country setting. 5 bedrooms plus study on second floor, quality heated pool, cabana and change room, many costly extras, perfect for the large family. Mrs. Landsberg, 226-9440.

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First Offering Chiften Cres.
$259,500. Traditional American styling on 100' lot. Very spacious main floor plan. Bright gourmet kitchen has separate eating area overlooking fabulous gardens. 5 bedrooms, double spiral staircase, completely finished basement. Mrs. Landsberg, 226-9440.

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Custom Contemporary York Mills-Bayview
$239,000. The marriage of brick, woods, expanses of glass makes this home an incomparable showplace. Master suite augmented by a free form stairway leading to a private hideaway. 5 bedrooms, sunken marble baths. Designed for a fun-loving family with a flair for hospitality. Bea Estrin, 226-9440.

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Incredible lot backing onto park. 5 bedrooms, 2 storey, finished lower level walkout, main floor family room, separate living & dining rooms. Elaine Harris, 226-9440.

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Fifeshire Area — Super Lot
$249,500. Welcome privacy, yet within steps to Bayview. 5 grand size bedrooms, spacious & elegant main floor arrangement. Walkout lower level. Ruth Straughan or Frances Alter, 226-9440.

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Sandfield on the Park
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Senlac-Sheppard
Charming bungalow on a 40' x 135' lot. Panelled living area. Attractively decorated, finished basement. Asking $72,500. Myrna Stone, 789-4325.

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Bathurst-Eglinton
$95,500. Stunning stone Tudor in beautiful shape. 4 bedrooms, master ensuite. Separate living room has open fireplace, fully panelled dining room. Kitchen with separate breakfast room. Finished lower level family room. Traditional details. 9½% mtge. Must sell. Michelle Levy, 789-4325.

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Bathurst-Viewmount
Most charming and updated 3 bedroom bungalow on a 50' x 140' lot. Finished basement, central air. Large 10% mtge. Prestige location. Marion Davis, 789-4325.

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Bathurst-York Downs
Spacious 2 storey, 4 bedroom home. Large entrance, powder room, finished basement. Beautiful treed area opposite magnificent estates. Only $114,000. Attractive financing. Mrs. Solomon, 789-4325.

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Executive Bathurst Manor
$129,500. On a fabulous lot in a wooded setting — dead end street. Architecturally designed custom-built split-level, 3-4 bedrooms, huge panelled family room, large rooms, cathedral ceilings. Truly a magnificent home — vendor leaving country. Marion Davis, 789-4325.

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HOUSES FOR SALE

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Leslie-York Mills $135,000 — Pool Size Lot
Custom-built centre hall plan with 4 bedrooms plus ensuite and powder rooms. Charming main floor family room with Fieldstone fireplace. Knotty pine rec room also has fireplace. 2 car garage. Call Ruth Straughan, 226-9440.

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$250,000 Leslie-York Mills Grand 2 Storey
$250,000. Main floor, grand-sized rms. Family rm & kitchen with w/o to dream garden, 5 large bedrms. Spectacular low level with private help's quarters. 2 grand-sized entertaining rooms, sauna and wet bar. All the amenities. Eileen Cohen, 226-9440.

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Sydney Harris, current Congress president, was recently appointed an Ontario justice and will not seek re-election. Charles Bronfman was expected to move up from the position of associate chairman to the presidency, but he announced late last year he would not be a candidate.

At the last plenary in Toronto in 1974, Prime Minister Trudeau was the featured speaker. This year, Quebec Premier Rene Levesque will deliver the main address.

Another highlight of the convention will be a dialogue on May 12 on Israel-Diaspora relations featuring Ambassador Chaim Herzog of Israel and Arthur Hertzberg, president of the American Jewish Congress. A lively session is expected.

The following evening, the controversial Philip M. Klutznick, chairman of the governing board of the World Jewish Congress, will be the featured speaker.

Working plenary sessions expected to garner most of the attention are those on the future of Congress and on Quebec.

Other workshops will be held on the Canada-Israel Committee, Soviet Jewry, Israel-Diaspora relations, Congress and synagogues, youth, Yiddish, funding priorities, the Holocaust, teacher training, Historical Society, research in Canadian Jewish life, concerns in community relations, Judaic studies in public schools, Jewish-Christian relations, and United Jewish Relief Agency and Jewish Immigrant Aid Services.

Purim fest

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On Saturday night, March 5, at 8:30 p.m., the boys and girls (ages 10-13 years old) from B'nai Akivah youth groups will be presenting an evening of Purim celebrations for their families and the residents of Baycrest Centre.

OBITUARIES

Abella, Helen - On Jan. 28, late of 2700 Bathurst St.

Berlin, Bernie - On Feb. 7, late of 3 Cartwheel Millway

Blatt, Samuel - On Feb. 9, late of 106 Dell Park

Boros, George - On Jan. 30, late of 6250 Bathurst St.

Braun, Samuel - On Feb. 6, late of 16 Tillplain Rd.

Brenner, David - On Feb. 14, late of 429 Walmer Rd.

Brodsky, Rose - On Feb. 2, late of 3560 Bathurst St.

Cheslo, Joseph - On Feb. 5, late of 2579 Eglinton Ave. W.

Cohen, Isaac - On Feb. 3, late of 35 Goddard St.

Falk, Marilyn - On Feb. 8, late of 41 Cotman Cres.

Freedman, Bessie - On Feb. 2, late of 17 Maynard Ave.

Goldstein, Louis - On Jan. 26, late of 1429 Page Chomedey, Laval

Goldstein, Rebecca - On Jan. 30, late of 800 Eglinton Ave. W.

Grossberg, Chaim - On Feb. 4, late of 6020 Bathurst St.

Grossman, Harry - On Jan. 28, late of 25 Canyon Ave.

Herman, Maude - On Feb. 9, late of 481 Dovercourt Rd.

Hurwich, Martin - On Feb. 5, late of 56 Apollo Dr.

Jacobs, Bella - On Jan. 27, late of 3636 Bathurst St.

Kelner, Samuel - On Jan. 31, late of 66 Collier St.

Lefkovitz, Gordon - On Jan. 30, late of 250 Davenport Rd.

Lerner, Gertrude - On Feb. 9, late of 3560 Bathurst St.

Locketch, Aaron - On Jan. 26, late of 3560 Bathurst St.

Mamid, Lillian - On Jan. 30, late of 579 St. Clements Ave.

Manpel, Jack - On Jan. 30, late of 569 Sheppard Ave. W.

Markowitz, Louis - On Feb. 8, late of 3560 Bathurst St.

Moses, Isadore - On Feb. 6, late of 3560 Bathurst St.

Pusitz, Manuel Elias - On Feb. 4, late of 701 Grandview, Shawnee, Topeka, Kansas

Rothberg, Joseph - On Jan. 27, late of 125 Dell Park

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